

for those who enter . . . A CHOICE

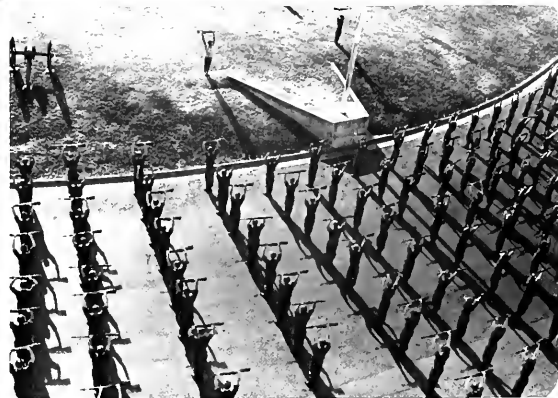


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separated from
family and friends





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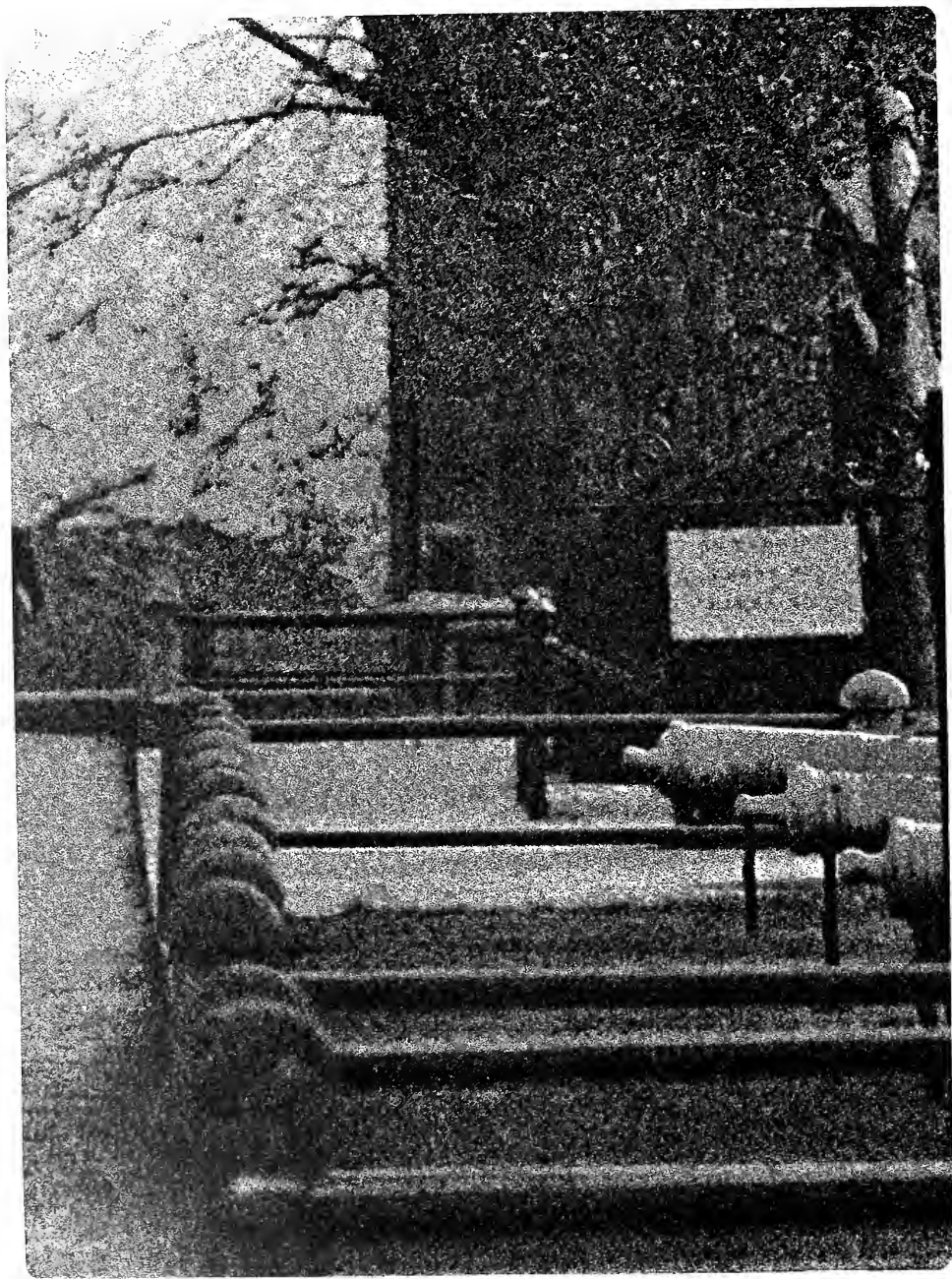


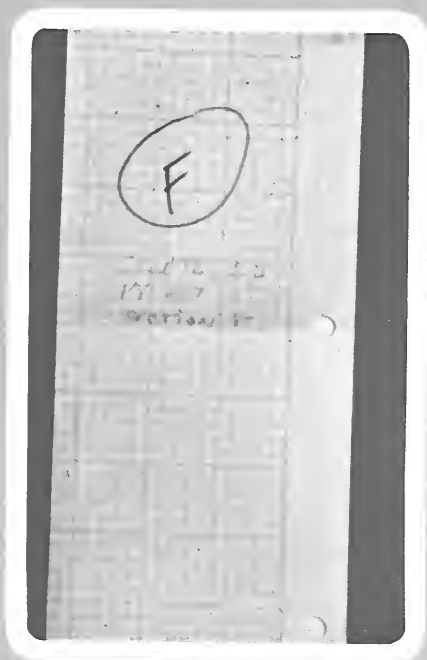




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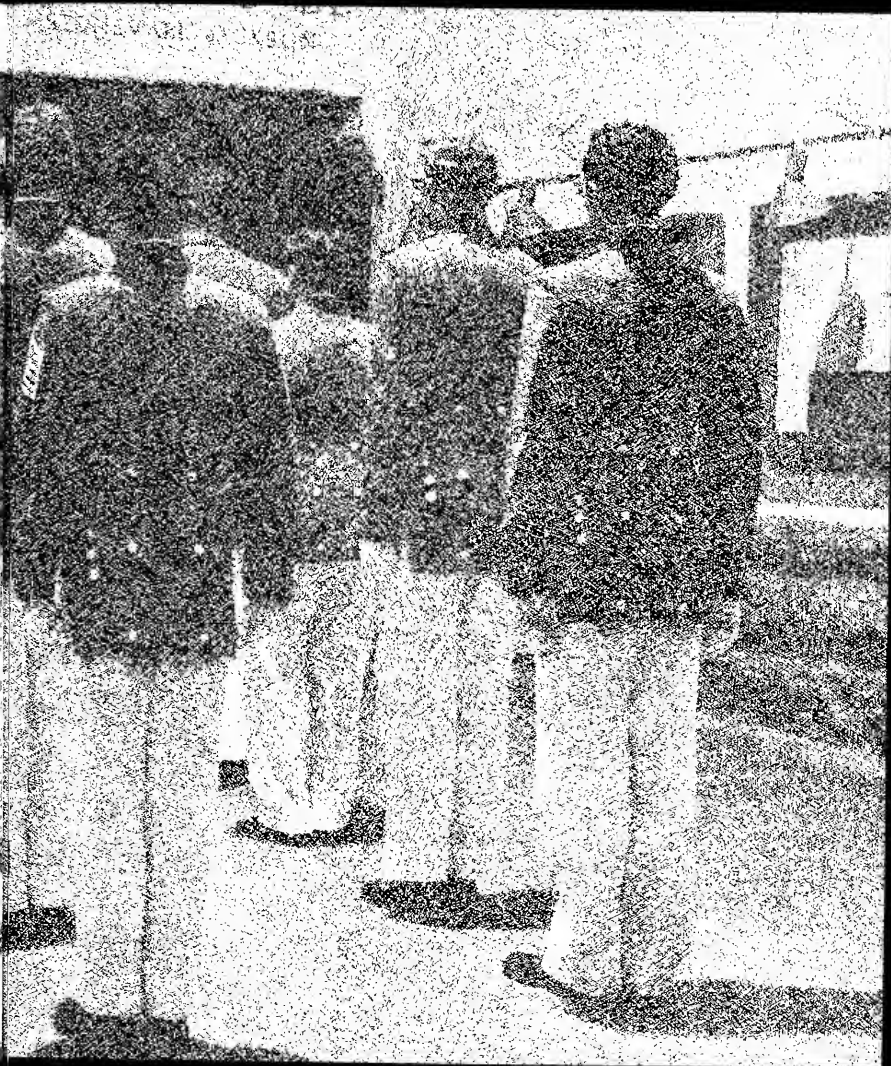
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1737	VISITING AFTERNOON C.Q.	SELF
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1740	VISITING AFTER TAPS	SELF
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some fail in disillusionment . . .

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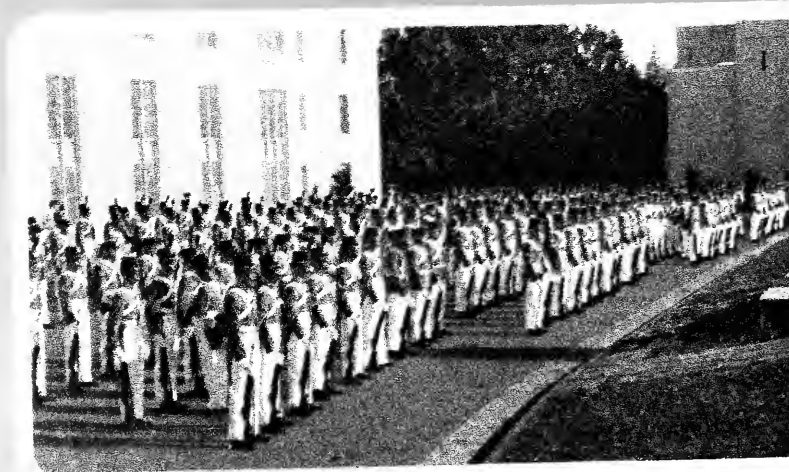








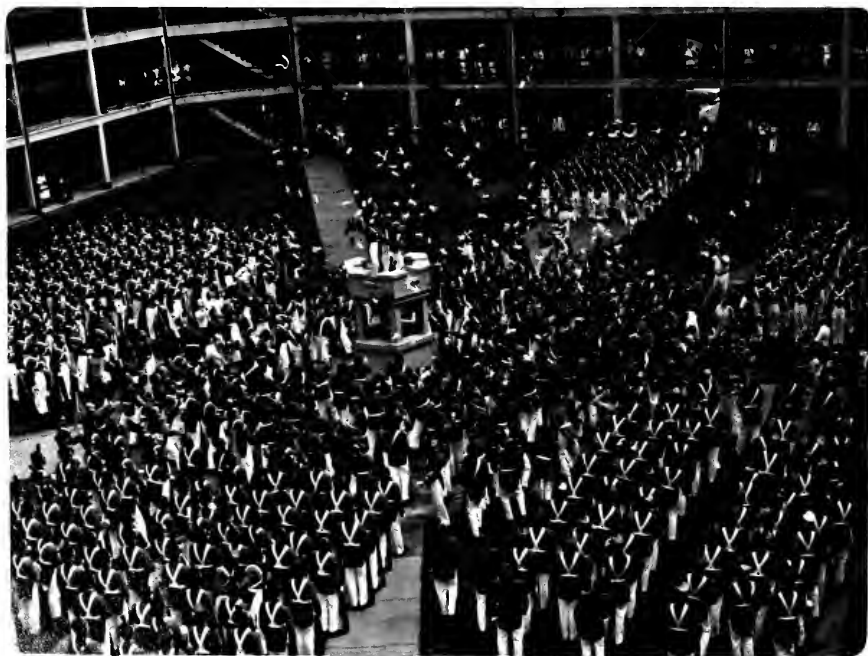
but many stay striving to attain victory



finally persevering together



it will be these men who succeed.



Virginia Military Institute



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Cadet Charles Button

of Virginia

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worthy to receive the

the ARTS, SCIENCES and
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"YOU MAY BE WHATEVER YOU RESOLVE TO BE"

"STONEWALL" JACKSON



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DEDICATION

When the Class of 1975 voted for the individual to whom they would have their BOMB dedicated, one man stood head and shoulders above all the rest. That man was Lt. Colonel Stacy Harris, Deputy Commandant.

For the past 17 years Colonel Harris has been an unswerving bastion of stability in an atmosphere of turmoil. Commandants have come and gone; three Superintendents have set radically different objectives; however, Colonel Harris has remained a stable, and quite often sobering influence.

Colonel Harris was born in Anistan, Missouri. He served 28 years in the United States Army, before taking the post of Deputy Commandant in 1958. In the interim, Colonel Harris married the former Miss Margaret Kitchen of Grand Rapids, Michigan. Their marriage produced one son, Stacy R., who was a 1964 graduate of VMI.

The story of how Colonel Harris came to VMI is quite interesting. On tour of the ROTC Department the possibility of a permanent position being created in the Commandants Office was raised. In order to help maintain some level of consistency within the VMI system of changing Commandants, the idea of a permanent Deputy Commandant was considered. Colonel Harris fit the plan perfectly, and has been the only Deputy Commandant to fill a permanent position at VMI.

Known affectionately as "Uncle Stace" or "Grandpa" to many first classmen, Colonel Harris will be missed not only by the Class of '75, but by the Institute. His dedication to duty, and his desire to help the cadets at VMI become more disciplined and responsible men, has won the respect and affection of the Class of '75.

To Colonel and Mrs. Harris we extend our best wishes for a happy retirement.

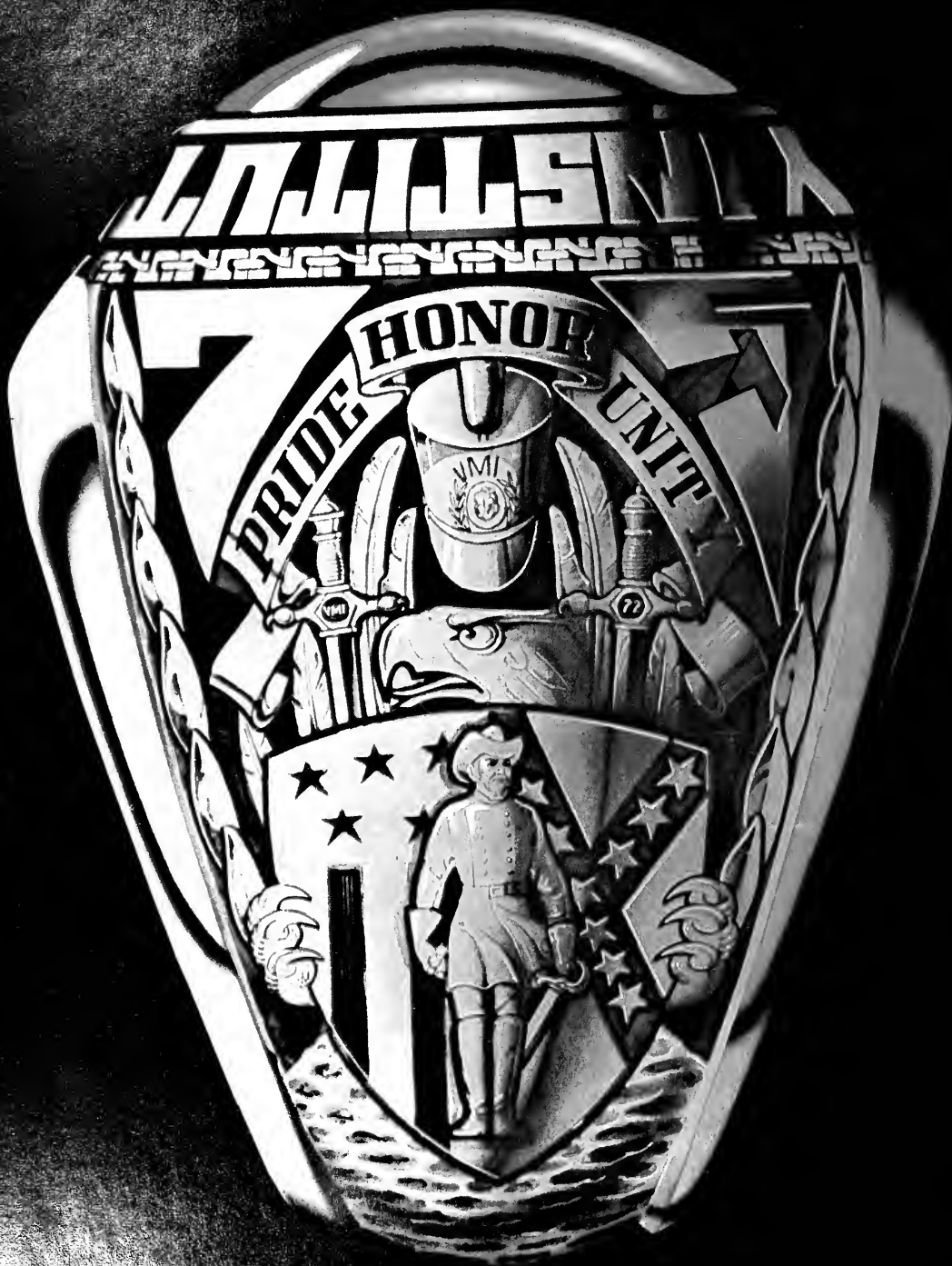


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History of the The Class of '75

When one writes of history, he is confined and restricted to events and situations, things which he no longer has control over nor can participate in. Some people find a joy in the past; a happiness of a time and place, others find a sadness from the memory of an unhappy occasion. As the strange phenomena known as TIME moves onward, the moments of past happiness may become a source of sadness, and the unhappy moments may become a source of joy. A great prophet once said, "Sorrow and joy are one and the same". As we look back on our years at VMI this philosophy can be seen in a truthful light.

It is difficult to write a history of an ENTIRE class in a complete and concise manner. A class consists of individuals — and each person possesses a unique history. I chose not to write of the PAST — and not of the FUTURE; for I am not a learned historian, nor a prophet. Rather I will try to convey a sense of the maturing, growing man at VMI; reaching and searching for the unfound door.

The individuals of the Class of '75 are indeed unique and possess unique histories, yet there exists a common denominator which is present in all. Upon entering VMI the individual is, for the most part, concerned with self and the advancement of self. After four years of the VMI experience some few retain this selfish attitude. Yet, the greater number have come to realize the needs of others — and are sensitive to these needs. It is ironical that within the rigid military structure one may grow and expand in his sensitivity — but it does happen. I have sensed a growing awareness among my classmates that they have something in common — they are all searching for the unfound door.

To those few who have found this door there remains the task of completion. To those who continue to search there remains the yearnings and adventure to be realized.

Reggie Webb



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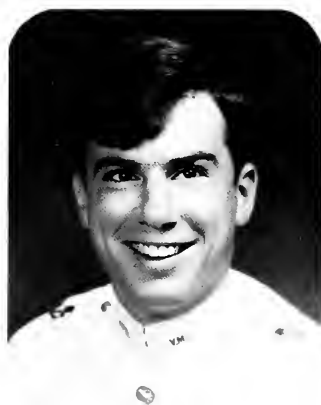
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Dean Huntington Armstrong Jr.



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Douglas Peter Baird



John Dwight Soren Bangs

Mohammed J. Abroshan

"Jeff" "Cammel Driver"

Iran

Civil Engineering — Naval Science

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Scuba Club; Soccer; A.S.C.E.

Jeff is what would be called a remarkable cadet. It was remarkable that he even came here. Perhaps by some fluke in the Imperial Iranian Navy or by some grand design from above; he found himself ninety million miles from home, hardly speaking the native language, and of course confronted by the Big "I". After enduring a harsh ratline (where he picked up some new words) our BR soon learned the ropes. Several romances, strange permits, and three years later we find another cadetship coming to an end. Good-bye, brother Rat! Our loss will be the Shah's gain.

DYKES: Class of 1972: D. M. Flick

Class of 1978: R. J. Richard

John Francis Amatetti

"Amo"

Vienna, Virginia

Civil Engineering — Air Force

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Pervert Corner — 3, 2, 1; Rugby — 4, 2, 1; ASCE — 4, 3, 2, 1; Bowery Boys — 3, 2, 1; Number 1 Club — 3; Admiral Seay — 4, 3, 2 (and still graduating on time)

Amo came to the "I" ready to mix it up with the administration and any other SOB who got in his way. The CE department will always bear his mark and he'll always be one of the "Admiral's Boys", especially after two years with the man. It's a wonder he pulled through with all that hassle, but the "Bwahn" came through, beer gut and all.

Now it comes to the final beer bust, the final scotch and water, the final "fu" and Amo is still plugging. He's ready to make his mark on the "Real World" now, and with his free body diagrams in one hand and his fifth of Johnnie Walker Red in the other, he'll stagger through. Thanks to his mom and dad, without whose constant aggravation and encouragement he would have never made it, the Wop will make his mark in the big lunchbox we call life. Take it easy Amo, see you someday in that big Bowery in the sky.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Ronnie Lau

Class of 1978: Jon Manson, Bob Zaccardi

Mehrdad Andisheh

"Andy"

Gurgan, Iran

Civil Engineering — Naval Science

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Soccer Team; Monogram Club; Dean's List.

When Andy came to America, he found out that learning the English language was not the only hurdle he had to get over, he also had other major problems like how to have a girl always close by — but never mentioning that taboo word "marriage"!

Andy found life pretty much a lot of fun here, classes being a snap, girls liking his foreign atmosphere, other cadets liking him for his easy going manner.

We just regret losing him to twelve years in the Imperial Iranian Navy; a finer Brother Rat there never was.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Joel Crowe

Class of 1978: Tim Fredrickson, Harry Siepp

David Livingston Applin

"Dave"

Newport News, Virginia

English — Military Science

Pvt. — 4, Cpl. — 3, Sgt. — 2, Capt. — 1; Cadet Staff — 3, 2; Bomb Photography Editor — 1; Bob Staff — 4, 1; President English Society — 1; Scuba Club — 4, 3; Varsity Rifle Team — 3, 2; Ranger School

Leaving the snug security of Mama and Poppa Applin on August 19, 1971 Little Dave entered the Institute not knowing where his home would be at Christmas break. This didn't bother Little Dave as he proceeded to make his mark on V.M.I.

Rising through the ranks from private to Cadet Captain, Little Dave left his impression on many rats with his cry of "Whoa Magnet". Always setting his standards high, Dave is one of the few of this class to reach his goals. Little Dave will always be remembered by Brother Rats and underclassmen as an outstanding and hard-driving individual. He is assured of success in anything he chooses to do.

DYKES: Class of 1972: J. R. Bell

Class of 1978: Tom Shaw, Mark McKissick

Dean Huntington Armstrong Jr.

"Armpit" "Pit" "Big Jim"

Corapolis, Pennsylvania

Modern Languages — Platoon Leaders Class

Pvt. — 4, Cpl, First Sgt. — 2, First Lt. (S-5) — 1; Lacrosse — 4, 3, 2, 1; Honor Court 1; 1975 Rat Line Committee; Head of Figure Committee 1975 Ring Figure; Library Assistant — 3, 2, 1 (Head Assistant — 2, 1); Ghetto Ranker; Douglas Carter France Award 1974; Steering Committee for Evaluation of the Institute; Spook the Hoke Sentials

Dean, known as "Pit", has lived in the Ghetto and roomed with privates throughout his cadetship, but somehow he has managed to become one of the top-ranking cadets in our class. At first it looked like "Pit" would become VMI's Third Marine Corps Commandant. The marines, looking for a few good men, found a good one in "Pit", but this good man didn't want anything to do with the Jar-heads, even though he does like to patrol deserted islands instead of party on them. Dean replaced Marine summer camp with a trip to Mexico where he found his life's ambition. Dean saw the light and became a private with stripes, not even knowing his right from his left. As the rank diminished the parties became plenty but his studies always prevailed. "Pit" always seemed to do more than was expected and maybe some day he will do the unexpected and use "Big Jim".

DYKES: Class of 1972: Marshall Pinkard

Class of 1978: Mark Lambert, Wads Bugg

Joseph Victor Arthur III

"Vic" "Artie" "Bubus" "Bush Pig" "Cannon Arthur"

Winchester, Virginia

Civil Engineering — Military Science

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Honor Court — 2, 1; Dean's List; General Steering Committee; Ghetto; Plantation Boys — 2; Hide-A-Way Boys — 1; Rugby — 4, 3, 2; Young Republicans

This VMI playboy came to us from the apple capital of the world. After coming to VMI, Vic's Machismo led him to new horizons with the jet set on the sunny Florida Beaches, but he found his country charm did not appeal to Florida girls. Vic returned to home ground and made out detailed plans for the attack of Hungry Hill. Time after time Vic planned an attack on Hungry Hill, but even with the help of the Plantation Boys and a secret weapon called a Hide-A-Way special Vic's plans seemed to always fail. Hopefully Vic will be able to conquer Hungry Hill with a few more private lessons from the Generalissimo. Putting all kidding aside, Vic is probably one of the most sincere and open people in our class. He loves to help and do things for others. This is evident in his many school and church activities. Vic has a lot of love and respect for his parents and his friends, much more than he does for himself, but this over-criticizing of himself seems to be over-shadowed by the overwhelming respect our class has for Vic.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Rocky Yost

Class of 1978: Andy Marshall, Buc Bartosik, Doug Hines

Douglas P. Baird

"Doug, Dufus Bored"

Hillside, New Jersey

English — Air Force

President W.L.U.R. Radio Club; International Relations Club; Private; Cadre; Zoo Crew; Timmins Society; English Society; Rum Truckers; V.M.I. Theatre; Third Class Activities Committee; Aggressors; Rat Training.

South, out of the smog of New Jersey he came and it was immediately apparent how Doug's next four years would be spent. His cadetship would be a series of schemes and permits trying to get a furlough home to see that special girl he had left behind. Somehow, in between IRC trips, BOMB Furloughs, Recruiting Furloughs and any other way out of the Institute that happened along, Doug has managed to become one of Lexington's most famous DJ's, log in quite a few nights at the Paramount, and even study some in spite of everything else. When Doug finally returns home he will once and for all be with that same young lady he left behind four years earlier (a record for a cadet). We wish them well.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Fred Allison

Class of 1978: Jim Breen, Bill Leavenworth

John Dwight Soren Bangs

"Johnny Boy" "Frog" "JD"

A.P.O. Frankfurt, Germany

Electrical Engineering — Military Science

Monogram Club — 3, 2, 1; Rat Football; Varsity Football — 3; Soccer 2, 1; Wrestling — 4, 3, 2, 1; I.E.E.E.; Young Republicans.

Frog came to the "I" with expectations of being a super-jock. Well, Frog, your days of jumping from lilly pad to lilly pad are shot, but never fear, those all-nighters with E.E. labs and tests were not in vain. Aside from academics and sports Frog has to be one of the best sleep-talkers I have known, but it's like everything else he does, it just never makes much sense. Regardless of Frog's spastic reactions we had all had a few good laughs from his presence. Keep on jumping Frog, you will hit the right lilly pad one of these days.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Phil Clayton

Class of 1978: Jim Bohlin



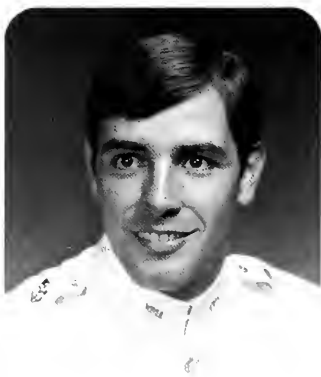
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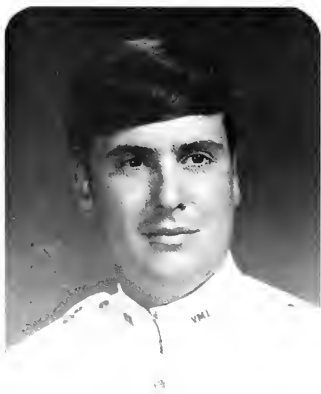
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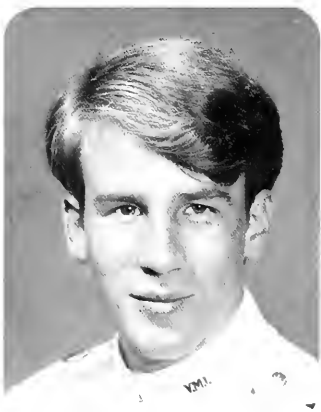
Paul Alan Bernard



Don Joseph Bernardini



James Joseph Berny



Paul Stewart Blair



David Wesley Bohon

Harry Hayes Barksdale, Jr.

"Jingles"

Danville, Va.

Electrical Engineering — Air Force

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Dean's List; Who's Who; Honor Court 1; Prosecutor — 1; Baseball — 4, 3, 2, 1.

In my four years at VMI, I have found something to be thankful for, men whom I can call my Brothers. I thank Kevin, Danny R., The Hulk, Johnny, Frizzer, Mike, and CT for being the type of friends that are so unique to VMI. The Boys I will remember best; however, are the boys from 111, Glenn, Danny, and Popeye. Three years they put up with me, and the love and respect I have for them is beyond words. And who can forget the big CE and the sunshine he brought to my life in April, 1973. Finally I would like to say that my four years at VMI and the remaining years of my life are dedicated to Mom and Dad who have given me more love and patience than anyone could ever hope for.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Mike Teubner

Class of 1978: Jeff Yates

Thomas Stephen Baur

"Dr. Jack"

Huntington, West Virginia

Biology — Infantry

Cpl., Sgt., Lt.; Football 4, 3; Aerobics Table 3, 2, 1; University Bus Club 1; Brand's Supper Club.

Traditions abound at V.M.I. and here I am in the midst of another, the class history. I guess it is expected of me to write a humorous recollection of my last four years, but instead I'd like to waiver from the tradition and dedicate this, my portion of the book, to a great bunch of guys without whom I would never have survived here for 4 years. We have given, we have taken, and we have shared in a truly fraternal relationship. Each an individual in his own right, yet all attached by a common bond called friendship. This I dedicate to you. Thanks — Rico, Buckwheat, Garland, Tony, Dago, Kimbo, and Moonpie.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Bob Bailey

Class of 1978: Ned Stepanovich

Sosthenes Behn III

"Bim" "Sos"

Carcavelos, Portugal

Economics — Military Science

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; All Pro; Armed Forces Club; Young Republicans; V.M.I. Grotto; Judo; U.S. Army R.F.Y.L.; International Relations Club.

"Where be his quiddities now, his quillets, his cases, his tenures, and his tricks? Why does he suffer this rude knave now to knock him about the scone with a dirty shovel, and will not tell him of his action of battery? Hum! This fellow might be in time a great buyer of land, with his statutes, his recognizances, his fines, his double vouchers, his recoveries. In this the fine of his fines and the recovery of his recoveries, to have his fine pate full of fine dirt?"

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DYKES: Class of 1972: Joe Morgan

Class of 1978: Dave Yerkes

Paul Alan Bernard

"Nard"

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Hop & Floor — 4, 3, 2, 1; Cheerleaders — 3, 2, 1 — Head; Fire Fighter; Plantation Boy; Aquatic Warrior; C.B.S.; Summer Society.

Nard has done things the hard way his entire stay at V.M.I. He started out his third class year as assistant shooter of "Little John" at football games, and worked his way to the top and head cheerleader his senior year.

Paul has always had a way with women, being shot-down on the field of honor his rat, third, and second class years. It is rumored that this is what caused that spaced-out feeling commonly known as "Nardism."

Nard will probably finish out his senior year on confinement (much to the dismay of Abby), and will also probably graduate in May with a 1.995. (Much to the dismay of the instructors.)

DYKES: Class of 1972: Robert Maxfield

Class of 1978: Carl Esche

Don Joseph Bernardini

"Don"

Blauvelt, New York

English — Air Force

Cpl., Sgt., Lt.; Dean's List; Pre-Law Society; V.M.I. Theatre Treas.; Glee Club Historian — Assistant Director; Fencing Team; English Society; Hop & Floor; Honors candidate.

When Don entered V.M.I. in August 1971 he had one very important possession, Janet, and he leaves here with the same. With many thoughts during his sentence here of exchanging his 'prized' cadetship for the real college life of Madison, Don decided to stick it out. Though initially a Biology major, Don quickly righted the error of his ways to become an extremely conscientious English major and pre-law student. From the poise and expertise exhibited on the stage, to the hustle and determination shown on the athletic field, Don has proven himself a consistent performer.

With as many assets as Don possesses, not the least of which being Janet, he will assuredly be an outstanding success in whatever field of endeavor he chooses.

DYKES: Class of 1972: John Friermuth

Class of 1978: Tom Mock

James Joseph Berny

"J.J." "T.H.E. Mole" "Mole Beany"

Jackson Heights, New York

Chemistry — Biology — Military Science

Pvt., Cpl., Sgt., Pvt.; Army ROTC Scholarship; D.M.S.; Dean's List; Academically Distinguished; Ring Design Committee; A.C.S.; Young Republicans 4, 3, 2, 1; Pre-Med Society 3, 2, 1; Perverted Corner 3, 1; The Bowers Boys 2, 1; Super Summer '74.

T.H.E. Mole, the boy from Jackson Heights, N.Y., walked in Jackson Arch in August of '71 with a chemistry book in one hand and a beer can in the other. Now J.J. has graduated to Medicine, and anything more than 86 proof. In the four years that J.J. has spent at V.M.I., he has done such illustrious things as float down the Maury au natural, visited his sleeping B.R.'s at 4 and 5 A.M., and last but not least, make the transformation from Sergeant to clown all in one eventful evening.

In a more serious light, Jim has proved to all of us in the biology department that a man can major in both chemistry and biology at the same time without giving up the finer things in life (i.e. females and fire water).

As J.J. leaves the Big "I" in his little red molemobile, we wish him the best of luck in Medicine, and present him with one, large type, bottle of aspirin.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Wayne Pamprel

Class of 1978: Ken Lafferty

Paul S. Blair

"Moonpie"

Lexington, Kentucky

Pvt.; Aerobics Table.

"We will grieve not, rather find strength in what remains behind."

William Wordsworth

Thank you and God bless you all.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Pete Ramsey

Class of 1978: Ron Carter, Rich Meredith

David Wesley Bohon

"Beau" "Block"

Roanoke, Virginia

Chemistry — Marine Corps

Pvt. — 4, 3; MSgt. — 2; Capt. — 1; Bravo Company Commander — 1; Young Republicans — 4, 3; Cadet Staff — 4, 3; Rangers — 3; Aggressors — 2; PLC — 3, 2, 1; Member ACS — 3; Vice-president ACS — 2.

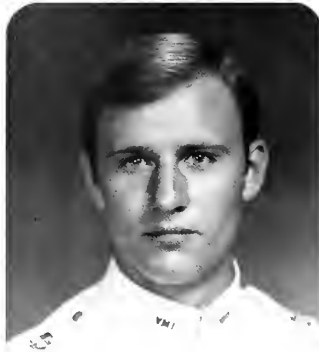
Bouncing into the institute on matriculation day he made an immediate impression on the B. Co. corporals who gave him the title "Bouncing Baby Bohon." This along with other minor setbacks caused Beau to spend his first two years at V.M.I. as a private. However, in his last two years his desire for rank was realized as he moved from private to B. Co. C.O.

Beau's major achievements at V.M.I. cannot be enumerated in terms of clubs or organizations to which he has belonged. His achievements are those of a person whose drive, determination, and friendship have become known throughout the Corps.

With his graduation Beau will leave behind the legacy of having balanced on the edge of matrimony, coming to his senses just in time to regain his carefree foothold on life. Best of luck and life to one of the "few good men".

DYKES: Class of 1972: Buddy Conklin

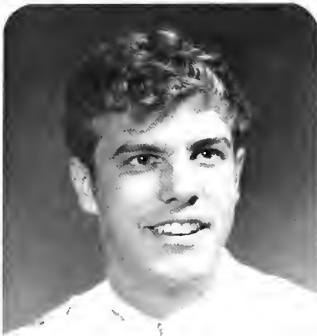
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Ronald Joseph Bongiovanni



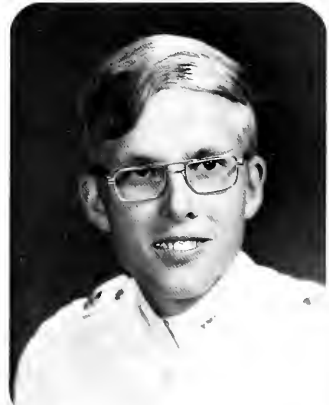
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Cary Scott Bradley



Emil Brenckman III



Harry Lee Broadus



Dan Holder Brooks



Clarence Tellouch Bryant III



Steven John Chapin

Ronald Joseph Bongiovanni
"Bongee" "Bongo" "Ron"
Woodstown, N.J.

Civil Engineering - Artillery

W. West Plum St. Gusto Club; Ghetto - 3, 2, 1; Rt. - 60 Travelers; Football, 4 years; O.G.A.; RDC; Pizza Merit Badge; Spaghetti Bender; Pres. SOS Club; Recondo; Grub, Pvt. - 4, 3, 2, 1; Boxing.

Matriculation day decisions were no different for Bongo, than those found in reading the latest racing form, both creating apprehension and doubt. But, being the confident gambling man he is, Ron relied on his instinct to pick a winner; C.E., or better known as Co Education. The race was off, and it wasn't long before Ron established the lead as the "Italian Stallion", thanks to, Baldwin, Sem, and Duke. Feeling confident socially, Ron again relied on intuition in coping with the ROTC game, but to his dismay "running" in this game carried numerous connotations. Puzzled, Ron chose to excel in only one facet, "block running", solely because he felt it supplemented his Recondo Training. It is apparent then that Ron will always be ahead in anything he does whether its girls or beer (Piel's only), and we know if things don't go his way, Bongo can always drop back and punt. Oh, Bongo!

DYKES: Class of 1972: Jim Bailey
Class of 1978: Greg Arnette & Tom Replogle

Sidney Wade Bowman
"Wade" "S-Dubs" "Bo"
Franklin, Virginia
Biology - Morron Science

Pvt. - 4, 3, 2, 1; Dean's List - 4; Ghetto - 2, 1; Rugby - 4, 3, 2; J.V. Basketball - 2; Plantation Boys - 2; Decadent Grotto - 2, 1; World Class Foot-breaker - 4, 3, 2; All-Star Main Sinks Baseball.

Wade came to V.M.I. after a year at Hampden-Sidney where he spent most of his time researching female anatomy and human behavior at Frat parties. His interests carried over to V.M.I. in the slightly modified form of the Biology curriculum. Always recognizable by his easy-going manner, bloodshot eyes, and many aspects of the V.M.I. experience, Big Red Basketball, late night Ghetto BS. sessions, of all night main sinks baseball games with little R. and the big O. Third class year found him rooming in the zoo with Glasscow and right down the stoop from the first ranked corporal of Dog Co. (watch it Wade!)

Second class year he graduated to the Ghetto and spent all his weekends with some silly Savage from back home. Bill came back from a wild fling at ASU. As we head on our final lap toward Graduation we find Wade on the Commandant's All-American Conduct Pro club, intramural football stud, and Bio. dept. flunky.

Oh! One more thing. Thanks Wade, you've made this hole more enjoyable for me.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Joel McGrady
Class of 1978: Don Robey

Cary Scott Bradley
"Brad"

Atlanta, Georgia
History - ROTC

Pvt. - 4, 3, 2, 1; Dean's List; Neff's Nerds; Co-Capt. of Porkers; BUFU founding father; Co-owner Room 13 Econo-travel Motel; Recondo.

From early in Brad's childhood, he had the destiny to become a VMI cadet. This is exemplified by his father's statement, "Son, you can go to any college that you choose, but if you want me to pay for it, you'll go to VMI." Fortunately, Brad's mild manner has remained with him during his four years here. Girls don't excite him, the military doesn't excite him, and even the 10-6-25 from Col. Ax didn't excite him. Brad is no different from any other man in that he has his weaknesses too. To get top performance out of him, merely tempt him with a basketball or a bottle of bourbon. Brad, the past four years have been damn good ones. If we don't meet in that great alumni house in the sky, I'll see you in the "Underground" with a "Hurricane" in my hand.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Dwight Roland
Class of 1978: Gary Greco & Bob Gansauer

Emil Brenckman III
"Trey"

Newport News, Virginia
Modern Language - Air Force

Pvt. - 4, 3, 2, 1; Soccer - 4; Riding Club; Firefighters; FIP; 2.0 Club; Zoo Crew.

Trey's cadetship has been uphill all the way. He's been chasing grades since his rat year; however, he finally in a sprint, caught and exceeded the "Golden 2.0" this year. Even though his cadetship has been hard work, Trey has managed to keep his spirits high and his demerit card low. Socially, he is the only guy I know that has gotten "shot down" before he got his airplane started. But late developments may change all that and next year they are going to dedicate the road to Sem. to him. Best of Luck to Trey in the Air Force and getting those wings.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Andy Davis
Class of 1978: Russ Johnson & Steve Thompson

Harry Lee Broadbudd
"The Walking Death" "Grampa" "Harry Lee"
Pittsboro, North Carolina
Chemistry - Infantry

Pvt. - 4, 3, 2, 1; Class Activities Committee - 3, 2; Zoo Crew - 3, 2, 1; Rangers - 2; Ac. Pro. Club - 3, 2; "Super Summer '74" "

This is Harry Lee Broadbudd, who began as a Chem Major and held true to it despite many long hours in the labs and related headaches; but, he changed in other ways. For one thing, he experienced a steady upward progression from Marine to civilian. After his rat year he learned how to get along with the administration. He shed the nickname "Wild Man" and in general became distinctively Harry. Perhaps the most outstanding thing about this young man is his interest in women, outstanding even for a VMI Cadet. For three years running he's been "Director of Documents" on the subject, and he's had a wider representation of dates than most of us, but he'll tell you that W. C. Fields was right when he said, "Women are like elephants to me. I like to look at 'em but I wouldn't want to own one." Good Luck to a Great Brother Rat.

DYKES: Class of 1972: George Williams
Class of 1978: Andy Morrison

Dan Holder Brooks
"Butch" "DB"

Whitesville, Kentucky
Economics - Air Force

Cpl., 1st Sgt., Captain, F Company CO; Sport Parachute Club, Scuba Club, Diving Club, WLUR Radio Club, Arnold Air Society, Cheerleader, Rat Training; Gold Coast.

Dan is the sort of VMI man who has done everything - scuba flying, once-a-year-just-to-prove-I-do-it parachuting, and cheerleading - yet he still found a little time for working in the Root Cellar. This in itself isn't so surprising, as he's survived four years in our own scaled-up version of the Dirty Dozen - that is, F Troop. This year - rising above the highly touted Sgt. Rock - Dan is leading this band of unconventional heroes in further adventures.

Those of us in the PX Supper Club and the Weekly Drink-Along-with-John Association will perhaps remember Dan as a sane if not exactly sobering influence on our escapades. This is not a bad way of being thought of in the later years; in fact, it's pretty good for right now. Keep them flying, Dan.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Alan McElroy
Class of 1978: Mark Dunford, Rick McDonald

Clarence Tellouch Bryant III
"C.T." "The Neck" "The Hick"

Roseland, Virginia
Civil Engineering - Military Science - Armor

Pvt. - 4, 3, 2, 1; Captain of Ghetto Garbage; ASCE.

"The Hick" was well known during his rat year for the destruction of both Room 454 and J. B. Banana peels and shaving cream decorated barren walls of our new home. "C.T." was displaying his acrobatic ability on his hayrack, along with his unexpected magical act, when he disappeared through the newly broken springs and hit the floor with a sharp thud.

During his third class year, C.T. promised that he had never and never will date a northern girl.

During his third class year, C.T. discovered his new-found love from Pennsylvania, Diane; or was it Diane that discovered C.T. Whatever, C.T. and Diane were engaged the night of Ring Figure 1975.

Now that "the game" is nearing the end, we as his roommates would like to wish Clarence and Diane a beautiful life together.

DYKES: Class of 1972: John Robinson
Class of 1978: Tom Tucker, Steven Powers

Steven John Chapin
"Steve" "Whale"

Ohio

Pvt. - 4, 2, 1, Cpl. - 3; Basketball - 4, 3, 2, 1; Monogram Club; Golf Team; Recondo Club; Ghetto; Plantation; Ohio State Booster.

Steve came from Ohio and through four years of planning how to leave, he finally realized the best way to get out was through graduation. His love of basketball and the rack is unequalled. What will the Plantation do without you? Steve was never hurting for the softer side of life. What will the girls from Sem. do when he leaves? I wish I'd been born a Wop. The Dirty Sock Club has a new gold star member. His ability to survive in a strange place and still laugh when the confinement was posted stayed through his years here.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Fred Allison
Class of 1978: Pat Kelley



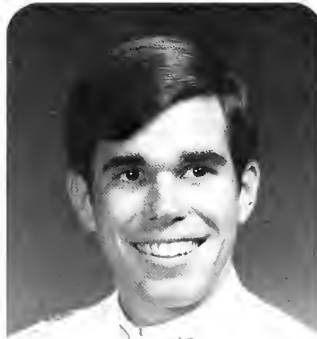
Bernard Leland Cobb



Frank Baker Cole, Jr.



Charles Joseph Collins, Jr.



Vernon Lee Conner



Douglas Robert Conte



Guy Frederick Conte



Kenneth Lewis Cook



John Costa

Bernard Leland Cobb
"Bernie"

Hopewell, Virginia
Chemistry — Air Force

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Dean's List; Gold Coast; Arnold Air Society; Member — R.D.C.; 1975 Ring Figure Committee; Scuba Club; B Company Guidon.

From Hopewell came a rat, with Chemistry book in hand, determined to wrestle the "White Thumb" Award away from Betty Crocker. However, as fate would have it, nature placed distractions in Bernie's way when, in April of '72 he met Margo. Since that time, his contribution to the Class has been "Bernie's Bus Lines", which operates on a near weekly basis from Lexington to Farmville. However, one cannot overlook Bernie's academic achievements. Never once did he fail to know the TV schedule at least a full week in advance.

We will always remember Bernie as a true B.R. when he loaned out his car (only a few weeks old) our second class year. What greater proof need be presented?

Now as we pack our bags to depart these hallowed halls and Bernie turns Southward toward Georgia Tech, we all wish him the best of luck.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Chip Spyker
Class of 1978: Bobby Brown

Frank Baker Cole Jr.
"Cool"

Richmond, Virginia
Civil Engineering — Field Artillery

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Dean's List; ASCE; DMS, 1975 Policy Committee.

"Did you see that rat on the stoop? How spaced can you get?" How can one describe Frank? He constantly had deep thoughts on his mind. Is there any other way we can explain his four years in the clouds? Cool spent his cadetship on short trips between Earth and Mars, stopping occasionally along the way to study, and for numerous blind dates. Then someone came along holding the Book that changed his life.

Yet, through all his hard work over the years, all his wild weekends, and all these girls, only one thought remained on his mind — to graduate from VMI, a civil engineer. He has succeeded in his task, and we all want to congratulate Frank; wishing him all the luck in the world.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Sonny Brittle
Class of 1978: Ronnie Milligan, Pen James

Charles Joseph Collins, Jr.
"Charlie" "Chas" "Chasmo"

Suffern, New York
History — Infantry

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Dean's List; Who's Who; DMS; Ghetto; President OGA; Lacrosse Club — 4, 3, 2, 1; Vice President and Tri-Captain — 1; Bomb Staff — 3, 1; Cadet Staff — 2, 1; International Club; Ring Figure Activities Committee; I.R.A.

"For being a man is the continuing battle of one's life, and one loses a bit of manhood with every stale compromise to the authority of any power in which one does not believe."

Norman Mailer

DYKES: Class of 1972: Charles F. Holsen
Class of 1978: Richard Wetherill

Vernon Lee Conner
"Vern" "V.C." "Mickey"

Melbourne, Florida
English — Air Force

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Gentleman Ranker Society; AFROTC Scholarship — 4, 3, 2, 1; 1975 Ring Figure Magazine; VMI Cadet — 4, 3, 2, 1; Young Republicans — 4, 1; Arnold Air Society — 2, 1; English Speaking Union — 1; TAC Trifling Team; Zoo Crew.

From the time he arrived at VMI, Vern was destined for notariety. As a "frosh" he got a letter addressed to "Rat Barracks Commander" which the upper three classes took great interest in. Adjustment and grades were a problem at first, but he bounced back and has been going strong ever since.

Armed with a pair of Mickey Mouse ears and that incredibly corny sense of humor, he made life bearable for those around him and carved his niche here. There is a group called by a roommate "Conner's Women" but that's another story. Beneath it all lurks a hard worker who plans life. In summation, he's best described as a good Cadet, a better friend and a great Brother Rat.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Chuck Hall
Class of 1978: Ralph Williams, Jim Doyle

Douglas Robert Conte
"Doug" "D.R."

Scotia, New York
History — Air Force

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Brass Ensemble — 4; Militaria Society — 4; Firefighters — 2, 1; Karate Club — 2; Cadet Assistant in Geology — 2, 1; Dean's List — 4, 3, 2, 1; Academically Distinguished — 2, 1; English Speaking Union — 1.

Doug has been known as the academic nut of New Barracks and can often be seen floating around in the bowels of Scot Shipp after a concentrated night of study. His pipe is his trademark, as is his fanatical desire for classical music and the National Lampoon Radio Hour.

Hailing from the unlikely place of Scotia, New York, Doug has been the constant target of good natured verbal abuse from his boys in 111. He has, however, always retained his composure and returned an effective broadside.

As a final tribute and farewell to a dear friend, I would like to wish this witty northern native the very best of luck in the many years ahead.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Monty Blankenship
Class of 1978: Dave Wrenn

Guy Frederick Conte
"G.F." "God" "King"

White Plains, N.Y.
History — Military Science

Pvt. — 4, Cpl. — 3, Sgt. — 2, Pvt. — 1, Class President, Who's Who, Pre-Law Society, Tankers, Wrestling — 1, Ring Figure Committee, Ring Design Committee.

The King assumed his throne in the spring of 1972, and now must relinquish his crown for bigger and greener things. The famous hero of the worst seller, "The King and I", has spent the last four years of his life dedicated to what he believed was best for the Institute and '75. His reward was much personal satisfaction along with a few close friends.

Fulfilling his 33.3333% commitment as a part of the "Three Musketeers" has been a most rewarding experience for the other two. Many trying, crying, and drinking times has shown Guy just what and who the world is really about.

G.F., always remember: "The Lord Giveth, and the Lord Taketh Away", and not too many people have been in your position to give and take.

Best of luck in life, law, and love, with whomever it may be.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Kevin Smith
Class of 1978: Bob Sica

Kenneth Lewis Cook

Fairfax, Virginia
Civil Engineering — Military Science

When I first came to VMI, I was empty and without life. But after my third class year, I met Jesus Christ and asked him into my life and recognized my helplessness without him. I found joy in Jesus!

Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life, and no man comes to the Father except by me." (John 14:6) "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." (Romans 3:23) But there is hope! "He was made man for us that we might be the righteousness of God in him." (Corinthians 5:21).

Look at your life. Do you have joy and peace? Recognize that you are a sinner and accept Jesus Christ as your Saviour. Become the righteousness of God! My address is: 9323 Glenbrook Rd., Fairfax Virginia 22030. PTL
DYKES: Class of 1972: James McLeod
Class of 1978: Mike Wright, Dan Lorenz, Jerry Placik

John Costa
"Johnny" "John-Boy" "Little Man"

Massapequa, New York
English — Air Force

Pvt., Cpl., Sgt., 1st Lt. (1st Btn. S-1); Dean's List; Academically Distinguished; President of the Honor Court; Timmins Music Society; Vice-President of Young Democrats; English Society; International Relations Club; Newswriter; VMI Cadet; Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities; Ghetto; Vice-Pres., 3.0 No-Go Club.

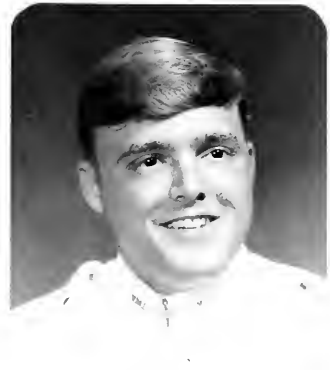
It might be months, or years, or days, I kept no count, I took no note, I had no hope my eyes to raise, and clear them of their dreary mote; At last men came to set me free; I asked no why, and reck'd not where; It was at length the same to me, I had learned to love despair. And thus when they appear'd at last, and all my bonds aside were cast, These heavy walls to me had grown. A meritage — and all my own! My very chains and I grew friends, so much a long communion tends, To make us what we are; even I regained my freedom with a sigh.

"The Prisoner of Chillon"
Lord Byron

DYKES: Class of 1972: Jeff Chell
Class of 1978: Ron Lee, Jim Leech



John Henry Crenshaw, Jr.



Samuel Hawes Crim



Luther Charles Daniels, Jr.



Daniel Jay Darnell



Thomas Maurice Dashiell



Raymond James Davis III



Frederick Corbet Davison, Jr.



Andrew John Dearman, III

John Henry Crenshaw, Jr.
 "Rughead" "Zippo" "Crench" "Johnny"
 Newport News, Va.
 Biology — Infantry

Pvt., Sgt., 1st Captain; Who's Who; Academically Distinguished; Dean's List; Airborne; VMI Ranger; DMS; VMI Self Study Committee 1975; Policy Committee Sub Chairman; Sports Parachute Club; Honor Court.

Fresh from his high school days in Hampton, Johnny headed for VMI with his footlocker and Afro Shein. Not long thereafter with the supply of Afro Shein decreasing, John embarked on a rat obstacle course avoiding Harry coming off I-81. Moving onto the 3rd stoop, corporal stripes were not big enough for Johnny's head so he recruited melon head. As stripes increased to Sergeant, John's problems increased to: "How does a ring go AirBORNE?" Moving onto first class year with R.C. and H.C., we his roommates, have accepted his new friends, homos, spooks and the likes. All kidding aside, John has been an outstanding B.R. and in the future we know John will be a man among men and a true leader in all endeavors. Good Luck — Your B.R.'s.

DYKES: Class of 1972: James Barry Bartley
 Class of 1978: Bruce E. Martin, William O. Young

Samuel Hawes Crim
 "Ho-Ho"

Lexington, Virginia
 Civil Engineering — Field Artillery
 Pvt. — 4, Cpl. — 3, Sgt. — 2, Lt. — 1; Zoo; Cadet Battery; American Society of Civil Engineers.

In future years, when we look back and remember our Brother Rats, each will be remembered for different reasons. In Sam's case, the first thing to come to mind will be his ever-present, good-natured smile. How many people could room with "Mes" and the "Man of Steel", make every composite guard ever mounted, spend two weeks at Fort Bragg on CQ duty, put up with the CE department, and all the kidding that goes with being a towny, and still finish his four years at VMI with a smile on his face? In his parade up the rank structure, Sam has managed to take a couple of semesters off and still finish up as a Delta Company lieutenant. Yes, grinning. We wish him well, and keep on smiling.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Drew Turner
 Class of 1978: Wes Shull

Luther Charles Daniels, Jr.
 "Danny" "Lima Charlie" "L.C." "Luu-therCharles"
 Chase City, Va.
 History — Armor

Pvt. — 4, Cpl. — 3, Sgt. — 2, 1LT. — 1; Delta Company Executive Officer, Airborne School, Dean's List, Cadet Staff, Intramural Handball, Soak and Joke Club.

Luther came to us with a drawl and a desire to excel. I'm proud to say my roommate still has the first and accomplished the second. Our Rat year the boy had a hard time staying awake which resulted in many trips to see Stacy. He survived though. He wanted something more. Early in his cadetship he had the desire to become a ranker as shown by his Saturday Night Sabre Drills with his dyke's sabre.

Our third class year he settled down to some hard academics. The familiar phrase "I don't have time for the 'X'" was oft heard in our room. His diligence paid off though as he has made Dean's List ever since.

Although Danny was the "Shoeshine Kid" of our room, he still had time for a little ruckus. Hop Weekends were especially memorable. They started with the running of the block on Thursday night, continued with a nice weekend with Gerry, and concluded with a picnic at Goshen. Gerry, ah yes! Danny started with her and it looks like he'll finish that way; an accomplishment in itself.

Danny has been the greatest roommate a cadet could want. There has been many a practical joke played and hard times shared. As I close, Danny is reading his "Chase City Progress" and all I can say is "Good luck, 'L.C.'"
 DYKES: Class of 1972: Bill Long
 Class of 1978: Clyde Long, Tim Pishdad

Daniel Jay Darnell
 "Corp"
 Vinton, Virginia
 History — Air Force

Pvt. — 4, Cpl. — 3, Sgt. — 2, Lt. — 1; Dean's List; Academically Distinguished; Varsity Baseball — 4, 3, 1; Honor Court — 2; Prosecutor — 1; Arnold Air Society — 1; Monogram Club — 1; Rat Football — 4.

Four years of my life have expired here at the Big "I" and I must admit they have been eventful ones. My boys in Rm 111 are primarily responsible for whatever success I may have enjoyed while here and to them I am deeply indebted. After all, how many people ever get the privilege of rooming with guys named Jingles, Popeye, and the Furr Monster?

Vickie has stuck with me through thick and thin and has proved to be my mainstay when beset with an unlimited number of trials and tribulations.

The kinship I feel toward my many friends is overwhelming and sincere and cannot be expressed in words. To all I say good luck and my door will always be open.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Kim Colls
 Class of 1978: Zach Whitlow

Thomas Maurice Dashiell
 "Dashit" "Tommy"
 Frederick, Maryland
 Biology — Air Force

Pvt. — 4, Cpl. — 3, Sgt. — 2, Lt. — 1; Air Force Scholarship; Arnold Air Society; Fire-Fighters; High Rent District; 2.0 Club; Zoo Crew.

How did a nice kid like Tom wind up in a place like this? For four years Tom had always been the willing recipient of CQ bull sessions in his room. In fact, his room has the record for getting its visitors boned for visiting during CQ. It is amazing that between this and the midnight wedgie wars, Tom has managed to stay off a.c.p.ro. His Rat year saw trouble from the ratline with frequent social calls with the R.D.C. His 3rd class year saw Cpl. stripes and raunchy blind dates. But the 2nd class year saw Sgt. chevrons and NANCY! Air Force summer and summer school took away his vacations, but not his spirit. Well, good luck earning those navigator wings, Tom, and remember you'll be the same old "Dashit" to us.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Denny Traubert
 Class of 1978: Tony Pileggi, Claude A. Hardison

Raymond James Davis III
 "Jim"

New Market, Virginia
 Civil Engineering — Military Science
 Pvt. — 4, 3; Sgt. — 2; Capt. — 1; Rat Football — 4; Rugby — 4, 3, 2, 1; President V.M.I. R.F.C.

"Jim" didn't like very much about VMI, except for his rack and his weekends. Any weekend he could get away, he did. Many didn't know why he took so many weekends, but others knew it had something to do with Forestville and a certain girl there.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Steve Breeding
 Class of 1978: Mike Moore

Frederick Corbet Davison, Jr.
 "Rick"

Athens, Georgia
 Physics — Air Force
 Pvt. — 4, 1; Cpl. — 3; Reg. S-5 Sgt. — 2; Who's Who; Dean's List; Society of Physics Students; Sigma Pi Sigma; Arnold Air Society; Rat Repelling Instructor; Airborne; Firefighters; AFROTC Scholarship; Perverted Corner; Varsity Quantum Team.

From the time that I met this quiet Georgian, a greater friend could not have been found. What can you say about a man who likes the great outdoors, hiking, camping, and going places to see things that others only read about? His trip to Mexico was something only Rick could have done and really enjoyed. The rank structure has been a headache for Rick, but he placed his academics first, and because of this, was quietly overlooked. From our weekends spent studying, out running, or on a few trips away from the "I", only the memories remain. Words cannot, or do not exist to express my feelings for this wonderful B.R., roommate, and most of all, friend. I know he will be a success in whatever he does and happiness will be his. God bless him and thanks for everything.

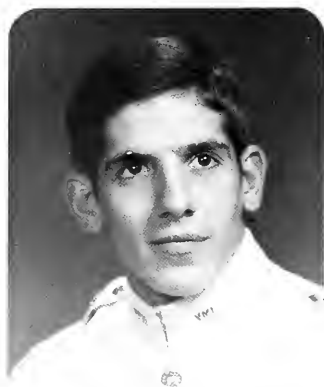
DYKES: Class of 1972: J. B. Ashcraft
 Class of 1978: Steven G. Burns

Andrew J. Dearman III
 "Lance Romance" "The Megaton Man"

Rat Football — 4; Varsity Football — 3, 2, 1; All Southern Conference 1972, 1973, 1974; All American 1973, 1974; Monogram Club; Who's Who; West Plum Street Social and Athletic Club; Sir Edmund Hillary Club; Ghetto — 2, 1.

The hard hitting, fast acting, virgin beguiling, trash talking, cradle robbing, heavy eating, heavier drinking, Commandant-Snowing, tobacco-chewing, deer slaying, loud snoring, light sleeping, soul singing, saber wielding Southern Gentleman. Those opponents Lance could not physically beat on the field he would morally obliterate by snaking their dates after the game. This was one serpent who refused to stick with the grass, basking rather in the sunlight of accessible girls' schools; and even when Lance fell victim of an unfortunate excursion in the Bananamobile, neither confinement, nor stick checks, nor Institute Supersleuths could cramp his lifestyle.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Lou Pappas
 Class of 1978: Bill Bailey



Daniel Dell 'Osso



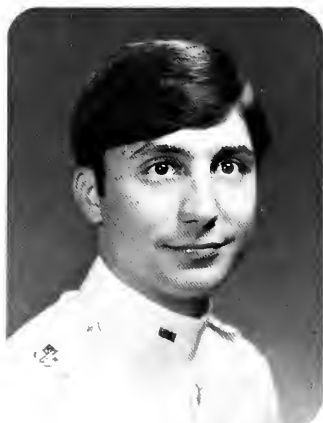
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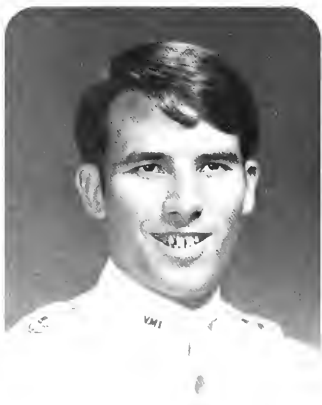
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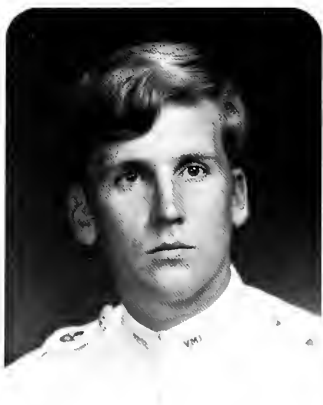
Matthew Anthony James DiBiase



Philip Wilson Dove



Douglas Earl Dunlap



Frederick Andrews Edwards III

Daniel Dell 'Osso
 "Dan" "Danny" "Gross" "Whop" "Dago"
 Oakland, California
 English - Marines

Pvt. - 4; 1st Cpl. - 3; 1st Sgt. - 2nd; Dean's List; Ghetto; President Lacrosse Club - 1; Commanders; Cadet Staff; Cadet Assistant; Rat Football; New Aerobics Table; Cadet Program Board; University Bus. Club; Italian Lover.

"Which of us has known his brother?
 Which of us has looked into his father's heart?
 Which of us has not remained Forever prison-pent?
 Which of us is not Forever a Stranger and alone?"
 DYKES: Class of 1972: David Strauss
 Class of 1978: Terry McKnight

Robert Wilfred Deslongchamps, Jr.
 "Chops" "Desi" "Napolean" "Alphonse"
 Springfield, Virginia
 History - Armor

Pvt. - 4, 3, 1; Sgt. - 2; Dean's List - 2; 1975 Activities Committee; 1975 Policy Committee; Secretary - G.C.&E.C.; Civil War Roundtable; 1975 Ring Construction Committee; Goon-Tunes; Gentlemen Rankers Society; PX Club.

Since our Rat year Desi has been both a charter member of the PX Supper Club and the Brother Rat Reminiscing Society. And I'm sure he remembers the Gashouse Gang's blowout at the Paramount over Finals our Second Class year. These are some of the good memories that serve to counterbalance the pains of our Rat Year, when all of us had to step back and re-evaluate our goals and ourselves.

Desi had been a Civil Engineer for about three semesters before he decided his main interests lay in Scott Shipp Hall's peanut gallery - Humm-Drumm's History Department. Switching curricula presented problems, but not enough to stop our hero from making Dean's List last year. So it seems the nightly visits to our beloved PX didn't hurt too much; perhaps there's a moral here somewhere.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Baxter West
 Class of 1978: Bill Dunn, Gene Sveum

Jerry Joseph DeWaters
 "Wop" "JJ"
 New York, New York

Pvt. - 4, 3, 2, 1; Dean's Honor List - 3, 2, 1; Varsity Baseball - 4, 1; Secretary of General Committee, Secretary of Corps Council, Lacross Club - 2; Self-Study Steering Committee - 2; International Relations Club - 2, 1; ASCE - 4, 3, 2, 1.

"The Wop" is undoubtedly the most unselfish man I have met at V.M.I. His work for the class, and help for his friends all come from the bottom of his heart.

"JJ's" stay is one of a plumber in love, making it at V.M.I. as one of the top Civil Engineers. His laugh, his wit, and serious consideration for others has gained respect from all those who have come to know him.

Through his roommate's drawing every cadet and Tac in barracks to ask, "Where's Conte?", or "Bone the Goon", Jerry kept his cool.

Above all, however, to Jerry there is Alice. "The Wop", still dates the same girl he did for five long years, and just a look at his desk lets you know he's proud of it!

And so to Alice and Jerry, the class sends its luck (two hardheads), you'll probably do well anyway. Whether the best plumber in New York City, or the designer of the world's largest bridge, "J.J." will succeed in a big way.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Don Worrell
 Class of 1978: Dan "Non-existent Rat" Thornton

Gregory Jon Diamontopolous
 "The Greek" "Diamond" "Rock-umToupos"
 "Sponge Diver" "D"
 Long Beach, California
 History - Air Force

Pvt. - 4, 3, 2; 1st Lt. - 1; Indoor Track - 3, 2, 1; Outdoor Track - 4, 3, 2, 1; Captain; College Republics - 4, 1; Zoo - 3, 2, 1; The Tac Trifling Team; Posit Committee.

The Greek embarked upon the "I" with the California sun in his tan respectable length hair, a Cheshire Cat smile, and schemes of how to go Navy! His hair soon became another addition to the multicolored shag carpet on the barber's floor, his tan slowly disappeared, and his smile soon coupled with an enthusiasm for anything from peanut butter to women. As for going Navy . . . if you look closely at his picture you will find the U.S.N. insignia; not that things are definite, but, he just felt the "Anchors & Eagle" looked better. Greek has had both good and bad times with the Palace, finally resulting in his rising from the rank of peasantry to that of the gentry. Uncle Buck couldn't cope with his attitude problem, so he rewarded it. Greek was always quick with a laugh or a smile, being there when you needed him and even when you didn't. I know our paths will meet in the future. It was a HELLUVA LAST YEAR! Good Luck, Brother Rat.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Sterling R. Spencer, U.S.N.
 Class of 1978: Robert Vidrick

Matthew Anthony James DiBiase
 "Dib" "The Wop"
 Irvington, New Jersey
 Chemistry - Air Force

Pvt. - 4, 3, 2, 1; "D" Co.; Cadet Asst. Lejeune; Cadet Weiter; Rangers - 3; Rugby - 1; Armed Forces Club.

Like Mark Twain's "Connecticut Yankee," Dib came into the South flashing all of his fast smooth Yankee ways. With an Energy level high enough to run a major city, it sometimes got out of his control. When under control, however, he is an individual hard to hold. Even a temperature of 102° couldn't stop Dib from dragging travel weary friends off to a dance. "Stepping into it," opening his mouth to take his foot out were common Dib situations. In order to become a success you must have self-confidence, Dib causes envy from all for this trait. Who else but a self-confidence-man could trade a \$20 briefcase for a \$150 radio. I am sure that if Watergate had continued Dib would have been named somewhere. With such traits, I think of no service which deserves Dib more than the Air Force. "Wid-Ease".

DYKES: Class of 1972: Salvatore Spada
 Class of 1978: Norm Cortese

Philip Wilson Dove
 "Phil" "Pineapple"
 Honolulu, Hawaii
 English - Air Force

Pvt. - 4, 1; Cpl. - 3; Sgt. - 2; Theater - 4, 1; Riding Team - 3, 2; English Society - 1; Cadet - 1; O.G.A. Committee.

Phil arrived from the "islands" for some work, lots of fun, and some southern girls. After struggling through rat year and summer school, Phil realized that he would need lots of work, some fun, and Bridget if he was to graduate. Phil lived up to his new realization and earned the respect of the Bio and English Depts. (Trees and Roots Depts.) as well as that of his class. Unfortunately, success at the Institute never let Phil spend enough time with Bridget so she came for Ring Figure, Phil found himself engaged, and soon will be wearing his class ring through his nose. Good Luck and hang in there B.R.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Herbert McMillock
 Class of 1978: Jack Donald Hogge

Douglas Earl Dunlap
 "Bear" "Panda Bear"
 Mentor, Ohio

Modern Languages - Military Science

Armor; Cpl.; Sgt.; 1 Lt.-Exec. F Co.; U.S. Army Scholarship; DMS; Ranger; Aggressors; Tankers; Sport Parachute Club; Rat Training; Rat CO F Co.; Civil War Roundtable; 1975 Ring Figure Magazine; Charter Member PX Supper Club.

To a small circle of his Brother Rats, Doug will always be remembered for a few select things. First, there's his strong passion for jaunty hats and greasy food - not necessarily in that order. Second, we recall the doomed trip to Richmond when Mike Smith tried to strangle poor Doug. That was just before our fabled Ring Figure; remember? Then who can forget the day our third class year that, as legend has it, Doug sweated blood during one of Uncle Al's Russian classes. ("He's a nice old man") And, of course, the night our first class year that Doug was inhaled by the No. 3 bowling alley, chewed up, and promptly spewed out again. Always confident in his own abilities, Doug truly commands a great deal of respect from his superiors, subordinates, and most of all his Brother Rats. With dreams of Captaincy and Infantry glory, Douglas settled into his hay, his lieutenantancy, Armor, and the PX. "After the rain cometh the fair weather." Aesop

DYKES: Class of 1972: John Robinson
 Class of 1978: Steve Craig, Blaine Vorgang

Frederick Andrews Edwards III
 "Fred"
 Norfolk, Virginia

English - Armor

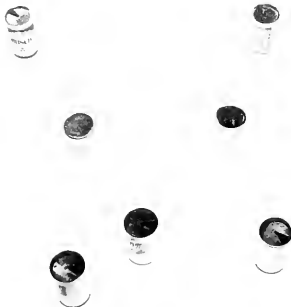
Pvt. - 4, 1, Corp. - 3, Sgt. - 2; Young Republicans and Young Democrats; Firefighters - 2; Peugeot Repair Club; Cadet Staff - 4, 3, 2; VMI Elite Greys.

"Easy-going" is the ideal description of Fred. In four years I have never seen him greatly upset. If he was, it was hidden well.

Fred has been an off and on ranker during his stay at VMI. As a ranker he was too easy-going and as a private he was never a grub. Not a bad combination.

Finally, the army has grabbed him in his last year at the Institute. Pro-Navy Edwards fought them three years before giving up. Fort Bragg will welcome him.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Raymond Woodall
 Class of 1978: Yat Tam and John Strohm



Craig Ernest Erickson



Michael Ryburn Farris



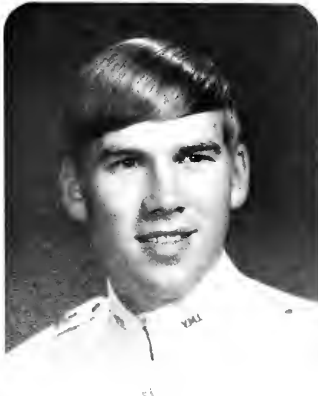
George Anthony Farry



Robert Coleman Feller



Anthony Walter Fiero, Jr.



Michael Ralph Fleenor



John Stewart Fleming



William Abner Fowlkes, Jr.

Craig Ernest Erickson

"Lief"

Virginia Beach, Virginia
History — Military Science

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Track; Glee Club; English Speaking Society.
I met a traveller from an antique land

Who said: Two vast and trunkless legs of stone
Stand in the desert . . . Near them, on the sand,
Half sunk, a shattered visage lies, whose frown,
And wrinkled lip, and sneer of cold command
Tell that it's sculptor well those passions read
Which yet survive, stamped on these lifeless things,
The hand that mocked them, and the heart that fed:
And on the pedestal these words appear:

"My name is Ozymandias, King of Kings:
Look on my works, ye mighty, and despair!"
Nothing beside remains. Round the decay
Of that colossal wreck, boundless and bare
The lone and level sands stretch far away.

'Ozymandias' P. B. Shelly

DYKES: Class of 1972: Greg Griffith
Class of 1978: Robby Burks and Paul Strickler

Michael Ryburn Farris

"Mike" "Sweet Peter"

Abingdon, Virginia
English — AFROTC

Pvt. — 4, 3, Cpl. — 3, Sgt. — 2, 2nd Lt. — 1; Air Force; Cadet Staff — 4, 3; Young Republicans 4; BUFO Founding Father; Co-owner Room 13 Econo-Travel Motel.

Mike came to VMI with the aspirations of being different from his high school contemporaries. In this he succeeded. Mike did not crank down on academics his rat year (what can you expect of an English major taking CE chemistry) but he became a top notch PX pathfinder. Mike became a regular on the "all pro" team for the first three semesters and he loved Mother Institute so much, he was to return three summers standing.

While working his way up the academic ladder, "Sweet Peter" became the hit of many a party. Mike's second class year he fulfilled his goal of becoming a ranker, a studious student and having a huff'ava time on weekends and at Hops. (That was quite a feat, doing that soft shoe on the out-house roof at Zollmans)

Mike has been quite a womanizer his four years at VMI. His latest conquest has been that sweet young thing from Puerto Rico, which may prove to be a permanent addition.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Taz Carrington

Class of 1978: Bill Tilley, Mike Gotham

George Anthony Farry

"Tony"

Civil Engineering — Military Science

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Football — 4, 3, 2, 1; Dean's List: Who's Who; Distinguished in German Merit — 4, 3, 2, 1; Monogram Club; Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

When I entered VMI, I was a young, misinformed, and immature 16 years old. Since that time I have come to understand what VMI is all about. VMI has provided me with one of the finest educations I could imagine. The Institute has also given me a chance to meet and make a few friends. Besides these few glimmers of happiness, VMI has been a thorn in my side. One thought that I always try to live by is "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." The Virginia Military Institute is a total contradiction to this statement.

Finally, I would like to thank a few people for providing me with those few glimmers of happiness. They are Tom, Garland, Rico, Buckwheat, Danny, Andy, Allen, Dago, Oscar, Harry, Billy, and Jo, and all the rest of the gang. Last but not least I must extend a thank you to a family who has done so much for me that I could never repay, The Millers.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Pete Ramsey

Class of 1978: Tom Ferguson, Andy Faulconer

Robert Coleman Feller

"Troll" "R.C."

North Plainfield, New Jersey
English

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Gentleman Rankers Society; Zoo Crew — 4, 3, 2, 1; Dean's List; VMI Theatre — 4; Executive Board — 3, 2, 1; English Society — 4, 3, 2, (Treasurer); Young Republicans — 4, 3, 2, 1; Timmons Society — 3, 2, 1; 1975 Activities Comm. — 3, 2.

When the "Troll" hit Barracks each side had to give a little. What more can be said about a man who, when sent to dyke school, kicks open the door and says, "We're here!"

Coleman's quest for self-improvement has served as a fine example to all who knew him. His successful quest has led him from the Army to 4-F, and good grades while bucking the entire English Dept. His memorable sense of humor has allowed him to laugh at everything (including blind dates). Hang in there BR, you'll excell in whatever you try. "Attempting to be more than Man we become less," William Blake.

DYKES: Class of 1972: John Martin

Class of 1978: James McCombs

Anthony Walter Fiero, Jr.

"Tony"

Valley Stream, New York
Economics — Armor

Pvt. — 4, 1, Cpl. — 3; Sgt. — 2; Dean's List; Cadet Assistant; Business Manager — 1975 Bomb.

Tony entered V.M.I. having no idea of the rare college life that he would soon be leading. Bound and determined after a slow start as a rat, things began to iron themselves out and Tony was here to stay. A taste of Biology, and a taste of rank met his disapproval, so he chalked them up to experience. Although Frank always tried to convince him of how good it was to be down South in Virginia and North Carolina, he never seemed to appreciate Southern hospitality (V.M.I. and summer camp).

Weird letters led Tony to Holley late in his rat year. She promptly became devotedly his forever. Good luck to both the economics major and to Holley in all your future projects.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Pat Neeson

Class of 1978: Steve Jackson

Michael Ralph Fleenor

"Mike" "The Bag" "Doc"

Bristol, Virginia
Biology — Air Force

Pvt. — 4, Cpl. — 3, Sgt. — 2, Lt. — 1; Dean's List; Who's Who; Academically Distinguished; Pre-Med Society; Civil War Roundtable; Arnold Air Society; The Tub Club; Space-Port.

Ignoring many warnings not to come here, Mike arrived on 19 August, 1971, and embarked on a totally different experience. He soon found that Stonewall's advice was best, and tried to adhere to it. This meant hard work, but also many good times for The Bag while floating on "Lake 37" with Nice, Some, Uncle Dave, and EE, and defending the fort against numerous attacks from the "Porkers" and the "Wee People". One can't forget the trips back to the Hills and especially the visits to VI. All the hard work paid off on 12 September, 1974, when his acceptance finally came and all was GO for MCV and the civilian life again. All this may seem very simple, but there's still one very intriguing question, "Who paid for it?" So all that's left to be said is, "Keep on truckin'" and luck to all.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Jon DiMarco

Class of 1978: Jerry Hillard, Jack Webber

John Stewart Fleming

"S3NA-BIRD"

Portsmouth, Virginia

Water Polo — 4, Ghetto, OGA Liason — 2, OGA — 1, CC — 1, 10-4-55 Club, Plantation 1 and 2, Cold Feet Club.

This young virgin from Churchland had an 18 yr. string of bad luck going before entering VMI. Needless to say, it continued in most aspects for this late bloomer. Two typical examples come to mind immediately.

There was the time he took his roommates guard and received a No. 2 for relieving himself from his post (both figuratively and literally). Then there was the time he and his roommates were caught for visiting after taps and wouldn't you know Stu was the only one to receive a special! Of course you can't always keep a good man down (in this case standing would be a more appropriate word). That eventful moment when the bud blossoms into a flower did finally happen for Stu. The only problem was that we didn't hear about it for 2 days afterwards. Stu summed the reason for his silence as "It took my breath away." Since that eventful night Stu has become a real lady's man. He has had dates with girls of various levels of education; Jr. High, Sr. High, and believe it or not, even with some Semis. Of course I'm not going to mention the senior citizen who picked him up at no place else but The Paramount.

It's hard to believe that so much could happen to one person, but you'd have to know Stu in order to understand what his mother means when she says "That's Stu".

DYKES: Class of 1972: Tom Hathaway

Class of 1978: Brian C. Smith, Robert Henkel

William A. Fowlkes Jr.

"Panda Bear" "Cakes" "Billy" "Bill"

Charlotte, North Carolina

Economics — Air Force

Private, Golf, Monogram Club, Young Republicans, F Troop.

Billy is unique. Not the same uniqueness that is exhibited by all cadets, but a uniqueness all to himself. Meeting all the prerequisites of an Economics Major (3 semesters of Biology), life was one long struggle to get off academic probation. Inspired onward by a semester with Homer, he migrated south and found a home with the munchkins of Chuck Co. Then he attempted to earn his minor in letter writing, music appreciation (WREL), and blind dating. That's how he met Darl; a sweet little (?) girl who immediately had him fitted for a ring (for his nose). His patience is phenomenal; the only time he lost his cool his 3rd class year was when Mark set his hay on fire (and they were mitigating circumstances: Bill was laying in it at the time). We wish you luck Billy, and may the Bird of Paradise peck on your flat feet.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Jimmy Cox

Class of 1978: Basil Smith



Philip Randall Frank



Charles Claybe Freeman



Keith Arnold Frey



Robert Paul Frisbie



Floyd Glenn Furr, Jr.



Glen Edward Garland



Michael Allan Garten



Kenneth Foster Gerard, Jr.

Philip Randall Frank
 "Randy" "Nice Franks" "PR"
 Elkton, Maryland
 Biology — Field Artillery

Pvt. — 1; Cpl. — 2; Sgt. — 3; 1st Lt. (1st Bn S-3); Dean's List; Academically Distinguished; Hop Committee; Civil War Roundtable; Biological Sciences Club; Young Democrats.

For a person never hearing of VMI his junior year in high school, Randy had a surprise awaiting him when he arrived on August 19, 1971. His grades received an unexpected boost each successive year by having fewer dates as time wore on and also by pretending that the courses in Calculus he needed to graduate just didn't exist. Having nothing better to do for the rest of his stay, Randy and the crew of Lake '37 battled bravely if sometimes vainly with the Porkers next door.

In parting we hope Randy doesn't forget his queen at Sem, or Some, Bag, EE, or SkyLab. — YKES: Class of 1972: Dave Hall, Chris Jones Class of DYKES: Class of 1972: Dave Hall, Chris Jones Class of 1978: Ed Johnson, Paul Kenny

Charles Claybe Freeman
 "Charlie" "Slim" "Ace" "Hippie" "Claybee"
 Petersburg, Virginia
 Economics — Armor

Distinguished Grubb Graduate, Museum Assistant — 1, 2, Cadet Waiters — 1, 2, Band Co. Reject, Ghetto — 1, 2, 3, Zoo — 4, Conduct Pro Club, Activities Committee, Fire Fighters — 2, 3, Republican Club — 1, 4, Economics Coffee Club, Rugby — 1, 2, Demolition — 4.

Hell, I'd like to make this funny and knowing Claybee as well as I do maybe I should. I could talk about the great wrestling matches or the mid-nite hair cuts or the time Charley was caught with his pants down at SNL (literally). However, I'm not. Charley was one hell of a guy, I can't begin to count the number of times he bailed people out of tough jams. People frequently took advantage of him but he never held it against them. Charley was my complete opposite but to quote a former girlfriend of mine "You can't live with him, and you can't live without him." Charley, you helped me out of a lot of jams and picked me up when I was down. I'll never forget you. Thank you, you Hippie you.

DYKES: Class of 1972: "Hippo" Caldwell Class of 1978: Robert Jenvey, Steve Ketterer

Keith Arnold Frey
 "Keith"

Richmond, Virginia
 Biology; Air Force; Cpl., Sgt., 2nd Bat. S-4; Who's Who American Chemical Society, President; Pre-Med Society, Co-President; Dean's List; Rugby; Young Republicans; Academically Distinguished; Honors Candidates.

A dream, a goal, a reality — Keith experienced all three in four short years. Ever since entering this Institute he has been obsessed with one thing and one thing only — to be a physician. Along, uncertain, and at times a lonely road, Keith weathered all and became involved and outstanding in many endeavors. Things began to fall into place as if by divine intervention, but we know better. It was by hard work and natural talent that he is what he is. Yes, eventually his goal became serendipitous; excelling in all until all became "Melanie-ous." Now his goal is a reality and his dream — Melanie. Keith, all is within your reach. Good luck! DYKES: Class of 1972: Bob Stransky Class of 1978: Gary Braswell

Robert Frisbie
 "Fris"

Springfield, Mass.
 Electrical Engineering — Infantry
 Pvt.; Dynamic Duo, Ghetto, Firefighters, Young Republicans.
 Four years ago from the frozen North Lands trekked a strange creature destined to become known as "The Fris." His many exploits continue to add to a growing reputation of not being "quite right." Despite his wildly erratic behavior, Fris finally found a home with John and I, a strange group indeed. For sure, no one fools with the Fris and forgets it. The dynamic duo managed even to stir up their own ritzy neighborhood: The Ghetto. For RANGER FRIS, AN R.A., four years in the army and a certain little woman may yet settle this wild man down. For a great friend, person, and roommate, both John and I wish the best for you in the future.
 DYKES: Class of 1972: Jim Yoldt Class of 1978: Luis Debayle, Bernie Riesbeck

Floyd Glenn Furr, Jr.
 "Monster" "Fuzz"
 Danville, Kentucky
 Civil Engineering — Aerospace Science

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Rat Football — 4; Varsity Football — 3, 2, 1; Varsity Wrestling — 4; Monogram Club — 3, 2, 1; ASCE — 4, 3, 2, 1; Third Class Finance Committee; Paramount Club — 3, 2, 1; Baptist Student Union — 3.

After four years with the Monster, I doubt if anyone at VMI knows him as I do. After a rat year dedicated to periodic wash outs of various D company rooms, Glenn settled down his third class year to become as close a friend as I could Ask for. Always willing to help out with anything, Glenn made sure that everything in the room worked right, and constantly gave a hand to anyone who needed it. The Monster went along for two and one half years never knowing where he was headed, then a Lexington school teacher set her hooks in him and the party was over.

Glenn, what can I say? It's been a long haul and, of the 111 boys, you're the only one that's been with me for four years. Thanks for being around when I needed you, and I hope that life will provide nothing but happiness for you and Carol.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Harold Plott Class of 1978: Mike Freeman and Joe Stranger

Glen Edward Garland
 "Glen"

Franklin, Virginia
 Biology — Armor
 Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Rat Football; Lacrosse; Rugby; Young Republicans; Student Grotto; Firefighters; Dean's List.
 Glen's first year at the big "I" was spent in the loving care of Bathrobe Bob Benson, everybody's favorite First Classman. Glen played Rat Football, too, but instead decided to give up the oblong-spherical for a degree in Biology.

Now Glen gets his chance to play dyke, and he has succeeded in outdoing the Bathrobe in affection for the Frosh. His degree is a certain success, and Glen is well on his way to a fine career.

So onward there Glen to bigger and better things, and maybe next year, Moncure will ask you out to dinner, too.
 DYKES: Class of 1972: Bob Benson Class of 1978: Bruce Mason

Michael Allan Garten
 "Mike" "Ga-Ga"
 Vienna, Virginia
 Biology — Artillery

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Young Republicans; Rat Training Instructor; O.G.A. Dynamic Duo; Ghetto; 1st to Class Council.

When Mike came here he soon found he had to uphold the fine standards set up by his older brother. Perhaps Mike overdid himself, despite a gallant try at Super Summer '74. He barely missed his D.M.S., or was it his afternoons at the laundry mat and his B.V. civil affairs that he will be most remembered by? The unexpected had to be expected from Mike. He leaves VMI in search of his Space Lady, carrying the blessing of John, Fris, and Uncle Buck.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Ronnie Law Class of 1978: Dwight Smith, Jay Branscome

Kenneth Foster Gerard
 Ken, Ranger Hal
 Civil Engineering — Infantry

D Company Pvt. — 4; Cpl. — 3; Sgt. — 2; 2nd Lt. — 1; Ranger Graduate; DMS; ASCE — 3, 2, 1; VMI Ranger Platoon — 3, 2, 1; Young Republicans — 3, 2, 1.

Ken is the kind of guy that you don't run into very often, but when you do, you never regret a single moment of his friendship. He has been a constant companion and one of the best roommates a guy could ask for. Ol' Kenny has done some of the damnest things during his cadetship. He is an LA gone CE, a 3 year veteran of the VMI Rangers (This year he is the head of that crazy bunch of weekend warriors.). He even went to Ranger School to get out of Summer Camp! Got his tab, too! Way to go, BR!

Good luck and keep on truckin!
 DYKES: Class of 1972: Mike Ogelsby Class of 1978: Tripp Keese



David Joseph Gramont



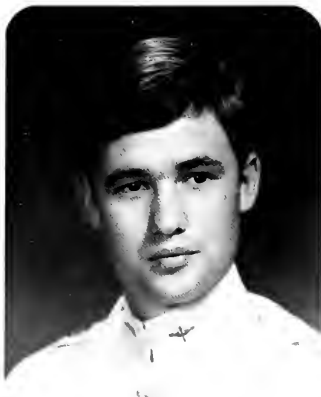
John David Greene



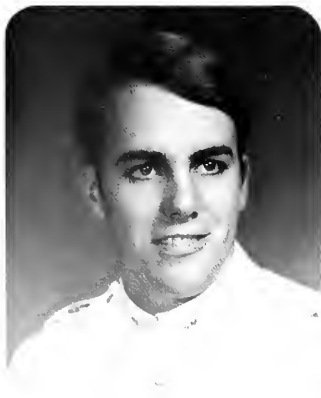
Paul Anthony Gregory



Larry Warren Groome



Mark Macon Hall



Alan Whitney Hansen



William Douglas Harvey



Edward Daniel Heiken, Jr.

David Joseph Gramont
"Dave"

Fountain Valley, California
Physics — Aerospace Science

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Chemistry Major — 2; Rangers; Rat Typist; Scuba Club; Soaring Club; Society of Physics Students.

"The fact is that everyone is much too busily preoccupied with himself to be able to form a serious opinion about another person. The indolent world is all too ready to treat any man with whatever degree of respect corresponds to his own self-confidence. Be what you please, live as you please — but put a bold face on it, act with self-assurance and show no qualms, and no one will be moralist enough to point the finger of scorn at you. But once have the misfortune to forfeit your single-mindedness and lose your self-complacency, once betray your own self-contempt — and the world will unhesitatingly endorse it."

From "The Joker", Thomas Mann

DYKES: Class of 1972: George Williams
Class of 1978: Michael Freitas

John David Greene
"Head"

Mathematics — AFROTC

Pvt. — 4, 2, 1; Cpl. — 3; Ring Figure Magazine; Wrestling — 4; Glider Club — 4, 3; Young Republicans — 3, 2, 1; Arnold Air Society — 2, 1; Perverted Corner — 3, 2, 1; Bowery Boys — 2, 1; Zoomies.

"The Head" came to VMI that fateful August morning with visions of fighters dancing in his head. He left his New Jersey home to set up residence at the Lexington Hilton. He was not a typical rat to say the least. Rooming with "Bimbo" always brought many unusual and wet experiences. Third class year brought corporal stripes and Joan. He lost the stripes but not Joan and then he became a full fledged member of the Perverted Corner. Second class year brought the origin of the Bowery Boys. Names like Sweets, Crisco, Mole, and Amo will live in his mind forever. In his spare time, he managed to bring his two roommates into the ways of a private. Senior year brought the last class stripes and the last member of the 141 trash can. Solving the "Z" became reality. May will bring John a degree (What's that?) and a new life as a pilot. Joan will be by his side too but she may have to learn how to fly a F-15 to keep an eye on him.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Mark "Nick Nick" Pieklik
Class of 1978: "Stretch" Kmetz, "Beef train" Merckx

Paul Anthony Gregory
Reston, Virginia

History — Military Science

Pvt. — 4, Corporal, Sgt., Lt.; Commanders, Brass Ensemble, Timmons Society — 2; Rangers — 3; Newman Club — 2.

Rule a nation with justice.
Wage a war with surprise moves.
Become a master of the universe without striving.
How do I know that this is so?
Because of this!

The more laws and restrictions there are,
The poorer people become.
The sharper men's weapons,
The more trouble in the land.
The more ingenious and clever men are,
The more strange things happen.
The more rules and regulations,
The more thieves and robbers.

Therefore the sage says:

I take no action and people are reformed,
I enjoy peace and people become honest.
I do nothing and people become rich,
I have no desires and people return to the good and simple life.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Harry Partridge
Class of 1978: Chris Zahren, J. B. Kitts

Larry Warren Groomer

"Lew" "Walrus"

Matoca, Virginia

Economics — Artillery

Pvt. four years; Dean's List; Commandant's List; Rat Football; Firefighters; Aquatic Warrior; Weekender Club.

All of Larry's fun and freedom came to an abrupt halt that 19 August four years ago. Many of his friends had their hands full to keep him there that first year.

Larry started his 3rd class year by making the big switch from the electrons of the EE Dept. to Dick, Ag of the Root Cellar. He gave a diamond to Debbie that Christmas.

His 2nd class year went by right smooth except for the \$846 worth of MS checks that were held back because of the KKK. His two main missions his first class year were, "Get away as much as possible and Graduate." Larry is known for his great ability to instigate trouble and never get into it. Larry's graduation could not have been made possible without the help of his parents, Debbie and Good Ole Schlitz.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Chuck Hall
Class of 1978: David McEwen

Mark Macon Hall
"Mark" "Markie" "Tiger"
Roanoke, Virginia
Chemistry — Air Force

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Athletic Trainer; Monogram Club; Ring Design Committee; American Chemical Society; Number "5" Club; F.I.P.; O.G.A.

Occasionally you run into a guy who just refuses to grow up, a youngster in man's clothing. Well, lil' Markie is just such a man, er... kid. With cheeks as soft as a new born babe, and an outlook on life that would make Dennis the Menace green with envy, Mark paced the gauntlet of VMI with his stunning sidekick, Bittsy. The jocks can attest to his expertise as a trainer, and surely none of the Chemistry Dept. slaved harder (or bitched louder) over those frustrating Instrumental Labs. Markie loved to play games, and got caught playing games (as 3 1/2 months of confinement readily proves). Where to now, Markie? Anywhere you go, it can only be up. We wish you all the success that you may achieve, and don't ever grow old, our friend.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Jim Bailey
Class of 1978: Greg Gearheart, Ned "Rooster" Reister

Alan Whitney Hansen

"Big Al" "Mo" "Hey You"

Chapel Hill, North Carolina

History — Military Science, Inf.

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Cpl. — 3; Sgt. — 2; 2nd Lt. — 1; Par Basketball; Varsity Basketball; Varsity Swimming; Dean's List; Pres. Sports Award "Swimming"; Cadet Ass. — 4; Young Republicans — 4; Rum Truckers; Perverted Corner; Monogram Club; Water Polo — 1; S-4 Tour Guide — 3.

Big Al came to VMI with three things in mind, an Army Commission, Matus wine, and four years of basketball. However, he graduated as a carefree civilian, a heavy coffee drinker, and a proven swimmer. Alan is a natural leader (business executive type), even his contemporaries recognized his potential and made him 1st Cpl. But his time was divided between sports, academics, and a special someone; Al had to settle for 2nd Lt. his Senior year.

Always a traveler, Alan has been a lot of places which he is more than glad to elaborate on. He'll drink to any occasion and is always ready for a good time. How he became one of the top History majors we'll never know. Dean's List came his way several times, and 3.0 cuts gave his rack a lot of overtime. Alan was one who never had Saturday classes.

We're sure Alan will be successful, whether it concerns the Army, horses, or his true love. We wish him a lot of luck in the years to come. P.S. Thanks for the stereo.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Bruce MacLean
Class of 1978: Richard Hancock

William Douglas Harvey

"Skunk Bear" "Harve"

Mechanicsville, Virginia

Civil Engineering — Air Science

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Rat Football — 4; Track — 4; Parachute Club — 3; ASCE; Co-editor ASCE Magazine; Dean's List — 2.

Harv came to VMI with a smile on his face and it remained. Not that he liked the place that much, but that it is his way. Being one of the guys was his thing except when Kathy was around. A guy that can stick with a girl that can stick with a VMI guy for four years is well deserving of each other. Trying to stay out of trouble and have a good time in the past years was hard. With all the PGA tournaments and nickelball games after taps, he should have been on confinement much more than he was. Even though Doug started out slow in grades he eventually made Dean's List. All it took was Doug's discipline and hard work. Doug will be remembered by his class as having one of the warmest personalities and being one of the friendliest B.R.'s in the class.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Chris Tomkins
Class of 1978: Dave Cameron, Tom Reeder

Edward Daniel Heiken Jr.

"Chickenwing" "Yeiks"

Lancaster, Pennsylvania

Civil Engineering — Air Science

Pvt.; Cpl.; MSgt.; 1st Sgt.; Cpt.; Co-Captain Soccer Team; All Southern Conference Soccer Team; President Scuba Club; Treasurer and Vice President Cadet Program Board; Chairman Activities Committee ASCE; "Goon Tunes"

Danno strolled into the VMI from Newark, Delaware and immediately "adjusted himself" to the realities of the rat line. However, the stern life here didn't deter his desire for "a few cold ones" uptown or a few hot dates on weekends and hops. But on the serious side "Yeiks" desire to see that things are done the right way in all the facets of his experience here has to rank him as one of the top cadets and brother rats. His rise through the ranks in the military, athletic, and academic disciplines is living proof of his achievements in the years ahead. We all know he'll do well no matter what path he chooses in the years ahead. So from all of us, and particularly the "goon tunes", we bid you an affectionate farewell and Godspeed, Dan.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Tom Parkins
Class of 1978: Bob Longwell



William Lawrence Hendry III



Richard Scott Hening



David Lee Hensley



Michael Gordon Hill



Franklin James Hillson



Robert Crawford von Hitz



James Reid Hobbs



Robert Louis Holby II

William Lawrence Hendry III
 "Dirty Larry" "Lunch" "Lurch"
 Hudson, Florida

Electrical Engineering - Military Science

Football - 4, 3; Dean's List - 3, 2; Firefighters - 2; OGA - 2; RDC - 1; IEEE - 2, 1; Rugby - 2; Swimming - 1; Young Republicans - 4; Bimbo Aquatic Club - 3, 2, 1; Plantation - 2, 1; C.B.S. - 1; Pre-Med Society - 1.

Dirty Larry didn't get his name by helping old ladies across the street. Look at his eyes and ask, "What is he thinking about?" When Larry first walked through the golden arches of "hell," he was as innocent as a newborn. As he grew wise with age and the whole new world of the "Plantation" opened up to him, he transmended from Lunch to "Dirty Larry." The D. Weber worshipper. But low and behold, the name Lunch has remained his favorite, for which he wears on his nametag. It is the shield of the real Dirty Larry. He went from grubb to corporal and swiftly back to grubb. Lunches grades were nothing to go unrecognized. The stars shined for him for one year until he found the good life of women and the plantation. Now he just has to settle for Dean's list.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Pete Grojean
 Class of 1978: Scott Lacagin

Richard Scott Hening
 "Scott" "Rick" "The Hen"
 Fredericksburg, Virginia
 History - Air Force

Pvt. - 4, 3, 1 Sgt. - 2; Arnold Air Society; Cadet Staff; High Rent District; Firefighters; Zoo Crew; 1975 Ring Figure Magazine; 2.0 Club.

Rick came to VMI with an optimistic attitude, being an Alumni's son. After 15 trips to the RDC he realized VMI wasn't all peaches and cream. Rick saw both sides of the "VMI coin" in that he lost Beth to a wedding band. But later he noticed his Grandparents' neighbor, Catherine. Nancy and Tom became Rick's next claim to fame as he turned matchmaker his 2nd class year. His 1st class year saw the exit of Catherine, entrance of Diane, a better attitude and frequent visits to "the club". Good luck in the Air Force and "please" don't let your son come here.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Sterling Spencer
 Class of 1978: Ron Dolan, Nelson Woodard

David Lee Hensley
 "The Hen" "Knuckle Head Jr."
 Phoenix, Arizona
 Civil Engineering - Military Science

Pvt. - 4, 3, 2, 1; Dean's List; Member of the Who's He Club; Student Grotto - 3, 2, 1; Ranger Platoon - 3; Run For Your Life, Fire Fighter - 3; ASCE; Perverted Corner - 1.

These were the voyages of the space man Hensley. His four year mission, to explore strange new curriculums and new instructors; to seek out new knowledge, to boldly go where no CE has gone before!!! In choosing to further his education, Dave set his goals high dreaming of Colorado Springs, West Point, and Annapolis. He finally settled for Lexington and an Army ROTC Scholarship. Keeping his goals high Dave was determined to become a model Army Officer and a practicing engineer. However, VMI was not the utopia that the Hen idealized, as Scott Shipp Hall brought him back to reality by keeping him short of the Dean's List. Nevertheless, the Hen did rebound. Through common sense and diligent work he maintained academic excellence and survived the VMI syndrome. Many a light year has passed and the kid from Phoenix, Arizona has stuck it out, gaining new friends and earning himself a place in the memories of all who knew him.

DYKES: Class of 1978: Bob Rockefeller

Michael Gordon Hill
 "Hill, M.G." "Sarge" "Machine Gun"

Cpl. - 3; Pvt. - 2, 1; "d" Co.; Cadet Asst. Marshal; New York City "Vet" - 3, 2, 1; Hop and Floor; Karate Club; Judo Club; Fire Fighters; Young Republicans; Young Democrats; Ranger - 3, 2, 1; 75-Ratline Comm. International Relations; Lived four years in the "ZOO".

As the son of a Career Army man, Hill was well indoctrinated in a desire to seek an army commission. As hopes for appointment to the "Point" faltered, Hill's spirits grew as he entered V.M.I. that August of '71. Adjustment to the demands and challenges V.M.I. had to offer were second nature to this individual. His determination and dedication to personal ideals aided in his successful completion of his sojourn at V.M.I. Although high in self-esteem Hill never lost sight of humility and respect for others - qualities which in turn won him the respect and support of those around him. Well, the Golden Bars are at hand now signaling the challenges yet to come. And we can be very sure that if Hill can find time to forget about those HAIRS of his in the drain and quit dancing long enough to pin those bars on, he'll keep truckin' to bigger and better things. Hang in there "Sarge", you may be an eagle yet!

DYKES: Class of 1972: Ralph Redman
 Class of 1978: Richard Manoz, Michael Stubbs

Franklin J. Hillson
 "Frank"

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
 English - AFROTC

Co-Captain of the Varsity Soccer Team; All Southern Conference Soccer Player; Soccer Team, 4 Years; Most Valuable Freshman Fencer; Fencing Team, 2 Years; Glee Club, 4 Years; Vice-President of the Glee Club; Chapel Choir, 1 Year; Timmins Society, 2 Years; Sports Writer for the Cadet; Cadet Pvt., 4 Years; Dean's List; Academically Distinguished; Humanist.

"Oh there is blessing in this gentle breeze,
 A visitant that while it fans my cheek

Doth seem half-conscious of the joy it brings
 From the green fields, and from yon azure sky.

What 'er its mission, the soft can come
 To none more grateful than to me; escaped

From the vast city, where I long had pined
 A discontent sojourner: now free,

Free as a bird to settle where I will.
 The earth is all before me. With a heart

Joyous, nor scared at its own liberty,
 I look about; and should the chosen guide

Be nothing better than a wandering cloud,
 I can not miss my way. I breathe again!

DYKES: Class of 1972: Bill Tedford
 Class of 1978: Mark Walrod

Robert Crawford von Hitz
 "Bob"

Richmond, Virginia
 English - Artillery

Frustrated Cpl. - 4, 3, 2, 1; VMI Commanders - 3, 2, 1; Rambling Keydets, Leader; Timmons Society - 4, 3, 2, 1, Pres. 1; RCTS Board Member - 2, 1; Hop and Floor Committee - 4, 3; Civil War Roundtable - 3; Armed Forces Club - 4, 3, 2.

The planet Mercury sings like a crystal goblet . . . The creatures (there) have only one sense; touch . . . There is no way in which one creature can harm another . . . They have only two possible messages . . . The first is "Here I am, Here I am, Here I am." The second (an automatic response to the First) is "So glad you are, so glad you are, so glad you are." . . . Because of their love for music and their willingness to deploy themselves in the service of beauty, the creatures are given a lovely name by Earthlings. They are called "harmoniums".

-Vonnegut, THE SIRENS OF TITAN

P.S. Thanks for everything, Mom and Dad.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Les Foley
 Class of 1978: Oben Johnson and Chuck Early

James R. Hobbs
 "Rabbit"

Williamsburg, Virginia
 Economics - Naval Science

Pvt. - 4, 3, 2, 1; Varsity Swimming; Water Polo; Ring Figure Comm. (Chairman); Pre-Law Society (Chairman); International Relations Club; "Society of 3 Musketeers".

Jim took off a year after Rat year to tour the ancient ruins of Europe. I hope that all those Europeans have recovered from his adventurous activities. The Playboy of the Western world came back to VMI ready to work. Jim's efforts on ring figure demonstrated his dedication and high standards. To Jim I will always be thankful. Jim's dues to the exclusive "Society of the Three Musketeers" are paid in full for eternity. "In every field of human endeavor he that is first lives in the light of publicity . . . emulation and envy are ever at work . . . the reward is widespread recognition, the punishment fierce denial; when a man's work becomes the standard for the whole world it also becomes the target for the envious few . . . if the leader truly leads no matter how loud the clamor of denial . . . that which deserve to live - lives".

Good Luck Ensign Hobbs. "Lateritiam, invenit, mormoream, relinquat."

DYKES: Class of 1972: James Reed
 Class of 1978: Don James

Robert Holby
 "Bob" "Hobo" "Hol-Bol-Boley"

English - Air Force

Pvt. - 4, 3, 2, 1; Wrestling - 4; Tech Raiding Club 21; Perverted Corner; Math & German.

Most of Bob's four years here revolved around these two subjects, not that he wanted it that way. But some instructors like to have students learn something. I think they may have succeeded in making him learn, even though he tried to avoid it. Bob would have been perfectly happy to be sitting in an airplane all day instead of studying.

Our third class year saw Bob in the 312 nerf ball championships. The cast on his left leg didn't seem to hinder him much as he was always near the top of the winner's list.

The Air Force is next for Bob. Between flying and Shirley, Bob is going to be busy. Good luck Hol-Bol-Boley.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Bob Ward
 Class of 1978: Jim Simons



Charles Wesley Hoon



William Gibson Houser, Jr.



Joseph Barry Hughes



Robert Harold Hughes



Charles Morris Hunter, Jr.



William Crawford Hunter



Christopher David Ingelido



Gerald Jean Irissari

Charles Wesley Hoon
 "Charlie" "The Hulk"
 Lakewood, California
 Economics — Artillery

Pvt.; Rat Football; Cindy.

Charlie could not keep away from the Big "I", and thus returned from the land of sun, surf, chicks, and Coors beer. Others and even the "Hulk" himself will ask "why did you come back?" Perhaps it was fond memories of the character building Ratline and the associated stickmen. Fat Guppy, the Gopher, hell raising, and confinement are all parts of the experience. Through it all, Charlie has remained unchanged living by the words "don't f--- with me." Charlie, you're a great guy and friend. John, Fris, Jim, and I all wish a great future for you.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Wayne Bass

Class of 1978: Robert Wright, Steve Maguire

William Gibson Houser, Jr.
 "Little Red" "Gibby" "Neck" "Tit" "Gibbon"
 "Hoot Gibson"

Rockbridge Baths, Virginia
 Biology — Aerospace Science

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2; Cpl. — 3; Color Sgt. — 2; 2nd Lt. — 1; Student Grotto — 3; Young Republicans — 4; VMI Greys — 3; Hop and Floor — 3; Football Trainer — 4; Arnold Air Society — 4, 3, 2, 1; Fip — 1; Member of the Frustrated Ranks Club; Run for Your Life — 2; Pres. Sports Award "Jogging"; Im. Football — 1; Ratline Planning Committee — 2; Rum Truckers; Perverted Corner — 1; Cadet Asst. — 1.

The "Little Red" from the Baths came to VMI with wings in his eyes and a shine on his shoes. Although academic excellence is not conducive to being a Military Tit, (Summer School was SOP), Gibby brought up his GPA to a respectable level to the amazement of all. In the long winter hours Gibson became the leader of "The Subject of the Month Club". Topics ranged from insurance to Guns, from Philosophy to Cars. Carefully considering all the options Gibby invested in Life Insurance, a short term policy that covered him from everything except VMI alumni. Gibson's main goal was an officers commission and a pilots seat. Getting off to a flying start he became an ACE his 3rd class year, i.e., 5 shot downs from Southern Sem. Now Gibson leaves us to fly in fame or go down in flames and it looks as if the sky will be the limit for his future.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Wade Houston

Class of 1978: Charles Alpin

Joseph Barry Hughes
 "Hugi"
 Lexington, Virginia
 English

Pvt. — 4, 2, 1; Corporal — 3; Swimming — 4; WLUR Radio Club — 3; VMI Football Network Radio Engineer — 3, 2, 1; Hop and Floor — 2, 1; English Society — 3, 2, 1; Editor-in-Chief SOUNDING BRASS — 2; Publications Board — 1; Perverted Corner — 3, 2, 1.

It's been a long four years for this resident redneck. Some will argue whether it did him good or not. He made a lot of friends, one of which he'll keep for a long time.

Praise the lord the clouds of night have broken.

"Selah."

DYKES: Class of 1972: Jim Ingram
 Class of 1978: Steve Hall

Robert Harold Hughes
 "Bobbi" "Spider II"
 Lynchburg, Virginia
 History — Armor

Pvt. — 4, 3, 1; Sgt. — 2; "C" & D Co.; AOT; IRC; Geology Lab Asst.; Ack. Stars; Marshall Library Asst.; New York Rookie; Army Scholarship.

Should you pass room 508 Scott Ship, I suggest a bit of caution, read the signs "Beware — Spider" and heed or you may be caught-up in his web of perversion. Yes, you guessed it, Bobbi is our Spider. Who else but the "Golden Sickey" could stand the smell of his own ink and paper. This chronic loser transferred from folding Georgia Military to molding Virginia Military. His, quote, "Worthless MS" taught him a moral from George Washington, "If commissioned I will not serve, if war I will desert." How anyone caught driving up an Interstate 70 Exit Ramp is going to drive a tank to Canada is beyond me. An old wives tale states, "Eating clams helps you last longer". Bobbi is slated for immortality. If you ever spy a wild "Ruke Colored" Karmann Ghia, beware it's the Golden Sickey, he probably was kicked out of Humm-Drumm's and Ty-Ty Wilson's offices again.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Rick Siebert
 Class of 1978: Dave Colonna

Charles Morris Hunter
 "The Hunter" "Hay Roll" "Doughant Man" "Mike"
 Tazewell, Virginia
 History — Art

W. West and Plum St. Gusto Club; Ghetto — 4, 3, 2, 1; Rt. 60 Tiaulers; Intramural Football; Pizza Merit Badge; SOC Club; Grub, Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Wrestling; Chocolate Eclair Club; Stud.

"The Hunger" didn't travel far from the metropolis of Tazewell to enter VMI; where his sole ambition was to follow in the footsteps of his "ole man" ('29). But as we know, ambitions and the institute are not always in conjuncture, so Mike took it upon himself to blaze new paths of glory for the Hunter family at VMI, like to his "rack," the bakery, Petchin Field, Whites, Johnies, The Corner Grill, and through the main sink windows. But, as re-oriented as Mike was, he vowed never to miss a Frat or Zollman's party, even if they were serving cheap scotch. Most importantly however Mike, in all his VMI experiences, never lost the ideals, that make him the true Southern Gentleman he is. Now that VMI is behind him, Mike has but one ambition left; to return to "God's country" where once again, he will be "The Hunter."

DYKES: Class of 1972: Boomy Mier

Class of 1978: Billy Way

William Crawford Hunter
 "Billy"

Tazewell, Virginia
 Chemistry — Special Student

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Young Republicans — 4, 3; Ghetto — 3, 2, 1; HSC — 3; Run For Your Life — 2; Intramural Football — 2; Grub — 4, 3, 2, 1.

On August 19, 1971 The Hunter left the God's Great Golden Southwest Virginia and the booming metropolis of Tazewell to enter VMI and carry on the family tradition. The Institute will never be the same. Since his rat year Billy has amazed and dumb-founded his Brother Rats with such antics as light conversation with the Tobacco Bowl Queen, scholarly speeches at the Pine Room, parties and hosting informal gatherings at Econo-Travel. With his two brother-brother rats, Bobby and Mike, he has managed to uphold the Hunter tradition and the honor of Southwestern Virginia.

As long as Cutty Sark stays in business Billy should go far, as we're sure he will. Sorry UVa, this one professional you didn't get.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Phil Smith

Class of 1978: Gary Snyder, Ricky Wolfe

Christopher David Ingelido
 "El Estudiante"
 Colorado Springs, Colorado
 History — Air Force

Pvt. — 4, 3, 1; Sgt. — 2; Academically Distinguished — 4, 3, 2, 1; Who's Who; Zoo; D. Co.; IRC; Arnold Air Society; Newman Club; Pre-Law; Hop & Floor; Head Receptionist, Marshall Library; Academic Chairman; AFROTC Dining-In Committee; NYC-Vet — 3, 2, 1.

Chris came to VMI quite as all of us did, however his habits of visiting shadows all our Rat year led to stars. Our third class year found our "shadow worker" bending his straight arrow, blossoming into a real ladies stud. One local gal received his full warmth and affections!!! Our 2nd class year, brought stars and stripes and Ring Figure turned boyhood into manhood with the help of a real Minnesota BO-DE-BO-BOO!!! In our last year, our 1st class Pvt., (still w/stars), now a NYC — 3, 2, 1 Vet, continued hunting the fair sex. Chris's love of girls, cheap thrills, sinks, and alcohol will definitely enrich his future. Good Luck always, "UNO".

DYKES: Class of 1972: Ed Nazzenti

Class of 1978: Mike Thomason

Gerald Jean Irissari
 "The General"
 Fowler, California
 Biology — Military Science

Pvt. — 4, Cpl. — 3, Mst./1st Sgt. — 2, Bn. S-4-1; Fencing — 4; Rangers — 3, 2; Zoo Crew; Dean's List; Triple Triumvirate; Airborne; CRB Club; DMS.

A howl is heard. Followed by a shriek. Some poor beast chained in the main sinks? Perhaps some rat gone berserk? No! Our BR has just been caught running - - -. If it wasn't demerits, it was academics — he was the veteran of many an "all-nighter". But our BR persevered! Genetics, Philosophy, Physics, Milton — all fell to his determination and cursing. Why did Jerry come from across the U.S. to the big "I"? Was it for prestige, fame, riches, a unique education, or because it could have been San Quentin? Success to your goal: a bottle of cheap eighteen-cents-a-gallon turpentine wine, a street corner, a box of pencils, and oblivion.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Mike Finney

Class of 1978: Dwight Weirich, Stewart Wolf



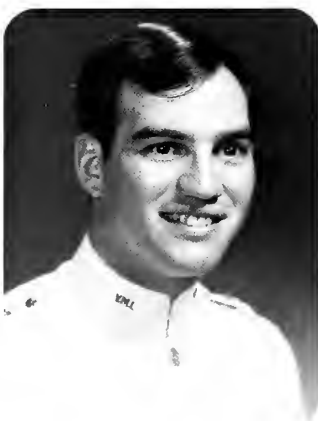
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Russel K. Jackson



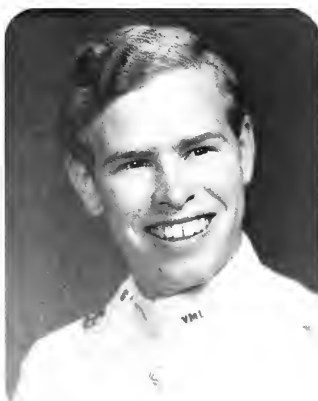
David Marc Jensen



Floyd George Jones, III



Thomas Macy Jones,



Michael Robert Joslyn



Ian Alexander Kanner



Charles Sanders Kaune

Garland Laton Isaacs Jr.
 "Gargoyle" "Zacs" "Stubby" "Latent"
 Richmond, Va.

English — Special Student

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Football — 4, 3, 1; Baseball — 3, 2, 1; Glee Club — 4, 3, 2, 1; RDC — 1; Aerobics Table — 2, 1; Dean's List; Distinguished in General Merit.

These are a few of my favorite things: "Blue Sky", lilacs and irises, Ludwig van Beethoven, Brahms, Blue Ridge Mountains, "Eveliner, make-up, dresses with lace", Chris Nashand Thomas Cole, hunting, fishing, blondes, philosophy, Wheeling, heels, long hair, Bob Dylan, Shenandoah, Mom, Dad, my Grand Parents and Mable, daydreaming, "Dial Tone", Maganae, Caramel ice cream, Christmas El Greco, "A Clockwork Orange", Contemporary Literature, The Beatles, The Ponderosa, Eaters '74, Gothic Architecture, MLW and PJA, steak, seafood, Diane Dialysis, Impressionism, "Harold and Maude", acorns, Steve McQueen, Strawberry Shortcake, Char-Char, The "Brothers", football, baseball, daydreaming, snow, "Sweet John", GAF, Crosby, Stills, Nash, and Young, The Millers, Dr. Jack, "Bridge Over Troubled Water", but not VMI. "Any fool can make a rule, and every fool will mind it". Henry David Thoreau.

What can I say? "I got by with a little help from my friends."

DYKES: Class of 1972: Wayne Harrel

Class of 1978: Steve Oddi, Dutch Goddard

Russel K. Jackson

"Russ"

Richfield, Kansas

Biology — Military Science

Pvt. — 4, 2, 1; Cpl. — 3; Judo Club; Aggressors; VMI Riding Team; OGA Rep.

With rope and spurs in hand, Russ entered VMI with a friendly "Howdy Fellers!". Yes, Virginia was a new experience for this Kansas country boy, who up to this time had only known the dust and wind of the prairie. Byrne's beauties started him off on the right(?) foot though, and the legend of room 427 began in splashing style. His stand at the Aggressor camp awaiting the lost patrol is long remembered. But Russ yearned for his open prairie and his horse, so his long-time friendly companion, Fancy, was brought to Lexington. Russ and Fancy were together his whole cadetship and their adventures in Virginia's rolling hills are well known. Of course there's Ring Figure and the Saturday nights at Johnny's, but his BR's will never forget this hearty cowboy — Take care of yourself, Russ!

DYKES: Class of 1972: Pete Leadbetter

Class of 1978: Mike Oelrich, Craig Badalaty

David Marc Jensen

"Sweets" "Little Trouble"

Silver Springs, Maryland

Civil Engineering — Army Field Artillery

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; ASCE — 4, 3, 2, 1; Perverted Corner — 3, 2, 1; Rugby — 2, 1; Bowery Boys — 3, 2, 1; Wrestling — 4; Admiral Seay — 3, 2; Recondo, Super Summer "74".

"Sweets". When anyone at VMI hears that name he hides his tail because "The Man" is in town. He's like a tiger, you never know where he is until he's on top of you. Sweets definitely gave the Bowery Boys class, ready to slick back at any time for a little "boggie" session. He ying-yanged his way through the C.E. Dept., and he'll ying-yang his way through life, but he'll do it will class. "Sweets!"; The cry will still be feared even in years to come, but the memories of his talks with the porcelain telephone, and his high intimate relationships with Jonnie Walker, and the Bowery Boys will always live on. Keep slugging, De Buh, and hang loose, even when things get tight. We'll all be in the Bowery together. See you on 42nd Street!

"Thanks to the Skipper."

DYKES: Class of 1972: Wilbur Williamson

Class of 1978: Jim Clawson

Floyd George Jones, III

"Jay" "Kid"

Virginia Beach, Virginia

Economics — Air Force

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Rat Cheerleader; Indoor & Outdoor Track Manager — 4, 3; Cross Country Manager — 3; Rugby — 3; College Republicans — 4, 3, 2, 1; First Vice Chairman — 1; Ghetto — 4, 3; The Whatever's Fair Gang; Hop Committee.

Coming from the turf and the surf of Virginia Beach, Jay came to the Big "I" with the scent of the sea still within his senses. It wasn't long, however, before the smell of the ocean brine was to be replaced with the musky odor of sweating souls — our Brother Rats. But, it wasn't long before Jay adjusted to the life at the Institute. With the memories of hundreds (if not thousands) of girls still on his mind, he took it upon himself to tell his classmates bedtimes stories — "war stories." Academically, Jay wasn't distinguished, changing majors like some people change underwear — going from Physics to being an EE to Economics (attending summer school each year). Always active on the social scene, Jay went through girls like he went through majors, and always with the motto: For the first time, I think I'm in love again. All in all, it was a great four years, and I've made an everlasting friend.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Timothy Cleland

Class of 1977: Elpidio (Pete) Manoso III

Thomas Macy Jones

"T.J." "Jonesy"

Carlisle, Pennsylvania

Civil Engineering — Armor

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Cpl.? ASCE; Hop Committee — 4, 3, 2; Treasurer — 1; WLUR — T.J. the D.J. — 2.

Peggy sadly escorted Jonesy on that fateful 19th and through times of toil and tribulation and she will gladly wheel him back out. To the best of my knowledge this is one of those historic moments, rare in V.M.I. history. We, his roommates, have seen him hitchhike out and hitchhike in every weekend possible — always bringing back goomy bears and whoopy pies. Short in the pocket, but always long on the hair — "No I don't either!" Always known as the little guy with the big sense of humor, we will always remember his devotion and love to Peggy, who means a lot to us too. Good luck Tom.

"Thanks to Peggy, Mom and Dad for helping me keep my head up."

"I can see clearly now, the rain has gone."

It's gonna be a bright, bright, sunshiny day."

DYKES: Class of 1972: Jeff Chell

Class of 1978: Marlon Will

Oh! And Joe Arnold '77

Michael Robert Joslyn

"Jos"

Arlington, Virginia

History — Air Force

Pvt.; Rat Soccer; Rangers; Sport Parachute Club; Ring Figure Construction Committee; Arnold Air Society; Society of Young Democrats; English Speaking Union; F.I.P.; PX Supper Club.

Mike went through the rat line in the typical manner of any rat — confused, scared and homesick. However all good things must come to an end and the rat line is no exception.

During his third class year Mike became known as "Brillo" and later (thanks to the Rangers) "the Kid."

Ring Figure rolled along with his second class year and Mike celebrated the occasion in fine style, by stopping in the middle of 81 highway because a sign wouldn't change colors! However there was good too; academically it is his highest to date.

Finally entering his last year "Xylophone" (due to his smile) was ready for everything but the big tooth award. Now that it's over it seems like a dream but with the help of FIP Mike made it in flying colors.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Bob "Zarc" Bailey

Class of 1978: Stu Gitchell and John Gregg

Ian Alexander Kanner

"The Bod"

Upper Nyack, New York

Economics — Army

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Cadet — 4; MKMKM — 4; Soccer — 4, 3, 2, 1 (Goalie); Wrestling — 4, 2, 1 (Manager) Toughest one I ever saw; Lover — 2, 1; N.Y. Boy — 4, 3, 2, 1; Tough Guy — 4, 3.

"The BOD" as he is well known by in New York City, came to V.M.I. with great things in mind. He started out in the C.E. building and ended up in the Root Cellar, a place he thoroughly enjoyed.

Ian will always remember his room wrestling days, from fourth class year to his senior year. They were brutal bouts with no rules and usually he came out on top. He had an excellent forearm shot of which he adapted to soccer for protection as a goalie.

Well, so much for those days. Now he is on the right footing. Looking ahead is not an easy task. Especially for Ian (sorry about that "S.I.V.") But now more than ever his future is bright. Not only has he fallen for the most beautiful women in the world, he has decided to graduate on time, switched from AS to MS, and has a great attitude towards life (an accomplishment at the I).

DYKES: Class of 1972: Jerry Wiggins

Class of 1978: Thad McCourt

Charles Sanders Kaune

Kingston, New York

English — Army Infantry

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Ghetto; Varsity Wrestling — 4, 3, 2, 1; Lacrosse Club — 3, 2, 1; Rugby Club — 1; Monogram Club — 4, 3, 2, 1; Cadet Staff — 3, 2, 1 (Sports Editor — 1).

I can't hope to detail all those things which have happened to me, nor can I list those things which I have done. Suffice it to say that those who knew me best, or worst, can tell you some strange things.

Now that it is over, I'm glad, though I will reverse every moment and friendship.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Steve Dzialo

Class of 1978: Butch Brown and Chris Brock



Kevin Robert Kavanaugh



Robert Alan Keller



William Hodgson Kern



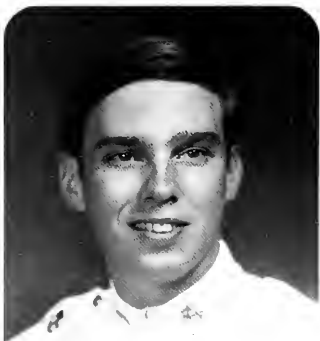
Leslie Randal Knoblock



Willibald Alfred Kobus



Alfred Charles Koehler



Douglas Frederick Kulick



Larremore John LaMonte

Kevin Robert Kavanaugh
"Kev"

Alpine, New Jersey

Electrical Engineering — Aerospace Studies

Cpl. — 3; Sgt. — 2; Lieut. — 1; Dean's List — 3; Civil War Roundtable — 4, 3, 2, 1; Mafia; Society of Physics — 4, 3; Fire Fighters — 3, 2, 1; Astronomy Club — 4, 3, 2, 1.

Kev will best be remembered as one of the few to emerge from the Institute with his "Good Guy" image still intact. Falling for the "Big I" sight unseen, Yankee Rat Kavanaugh nevertheless landed squarely on his feet. Who but Kev dares battle with the Red Colonel or the Mad Admiral? The legendary fortune that made him "Nichol's Nemesis" and the "Air Force Anathema" was equally evident in Barracks. Ruthlessly rising through Tweet Ranks, he simultaneously endured the most bizarre roommates in recent memory. Having roomed with the Tsar of Russia without knowing it, Kevin won the Order of the Merits with numerous Band Co Clusters for rescuing the Tsar from a demented cockroach.

Kev has shunned the "Wild Blue Yonder" for the dark subterranean realm of the Missile Silo. Best of Luck, and please stay away from the launch key!!!

DYKES: Class of 1972: Courtney B. Wheeler
Class of 1978: Tom Trainor

Robert Alan Keller
"Fatrat" "Bob" "Killer"

Camp Hill, Pa.

Civil Engineering — Armor

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2; Lieutenant — 1; (Conditional); R.D.C.; A.S.C.S.; Glee Club — 4, 3, 2, 1; Hop Committee — 2, 1; Blood Mobile Chairman; BOMB — 4, 3; Almost D.M.S.?

Rising from three years private to conditional lieutenant only because he could twirl a stick and not shine, "Fatrat" has managed to keep everyone laughing with his "Gambit" shows and his talks of Tina (What's a hickey anyway?). Things didn't start to pick up until his third class year when he had his first public exposure entitling him to bartender at Zolloman's for the next year where he'd always disappear after the first half hour. Only Bob could talk 1200 guys into giving blood for a peanut-butter sandwich.

Is That all there is . . .

Is That all there is

Then let's keep dancing;

Break out the booze

And have a ball!!

And to everyone back home, and to T.J., "Y", & T.M. — Thanks!

DYKES: Class of 1972: Jim Doyle
Class of 1978: Ollie Ayers
Oh! and Joe Arnold '77

William Hodgson Kern
"Bill"

Alexandria, Virginia English — Infantry

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Society of Gentlemen Rankers, Army Scholarship, English Speaking Union Vice-President — 1; Class Policy Committee — 1; Jackson's Battery — 2, 1; Soaring Club — 2; Wrestling — 3.

Bill walked through Jackson Arch four years ago with a mind that was distinctively his own. Now, after "the V.M.I. experience" he is wiser, perhaps a little less enthusiastic, but certainly his own man.

Dedication would be the best word to describe this man. Even for an Army brat his approach to the Army has been one of quiet commitment, as an English major he was conscientious about his education, and in general his approach to life was "to do it right the first time."

I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith. II Timothy 4:7

DYKES: Class of 1972: Charles "Bookie" Barksdale '71, J. R. "Snake" Hill '70
Class of 1978: Tom Silivski, Mike Freits

Leslie Randal Knoblock
"Knobnhood" "Knobcock" "Knobby"

History — Infantry

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Cross Country — 4; Wrestling — 4; Rangers — 3; Rugby — 2; 1975 Big Ring Figure Committee; PX Supper Club; Marital Counselor — 2, 1.

Blue jeans and a denim shirt, a bag of tools, and a half-burnt cigarette — it's Lurch; no, it's Knoblock! a man of many talents, Knobby has inspired numerous legends ranging from a self-administered appendectomy behind barracks to implications of the Wizard in a ripoff contest with the Stoopies. Described by El Drango as a hard-nosed radical, Knobnhood is nevertheless a kind-hearted soul, as shown by the time he gave two pints of blood in two days before a Ranger endurance patrol.

Les isn't a favorite of Drumm's bums, but his perseverance in the face of adversity has kept him above water academically. An industrious and honest person, his company is always sought by the PX Supper Club (if only he'd burn that damned green cup). A good friend and brother rat, Les has our best wishes for himself and Marie.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Bob Schwartz
Class of 1978, Leland Horn, George Riefler

Willibald Alfred Kobus
"Bobo"

Jersey City, New Jersey

Chemistry

Astronomy Club, YR, ACS, WLUR, Soccer, Wrestling, Cross Country.

And VMI said, "KOBUS-of-the-North-Woods, come forth and receive your destiny!" — and Bobo looked up from his books and replied, "Screw You!" Whether it was Schrodinger or Kahli Gibran who made him say that — VMI will never know. The few gaps left in his psyche by those men were filled by J.B. Maslow, and that glorious "peak" that comes after you have pushed your mind and body to the limits. Bobo gave VMI himself, and VMI returned it with interest. And when the time arrives when men will War and hate, this man will cry "Rise above it!" And he will, for a place is reserved for him among the gods. "One must be above mankind, in strength, in loftiness of soul, in contempt!" — f. Nietzsche.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Rae Turner

Class of 1978: G. Saur & D. Kahle

Alfred Charles Koehler
"Big Al"

Alexandria, Virginia

Civil Engineering — Military Science

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Wrestling — 4, 3, 2, 1; Track — 2, 1; Soccer — 3; Monogram Club; ASCE; Hiking & Gun Club — 4; Room Wrestling — 4, 3, 2, 1; KMKK — 4 (summer school); 3; 200 pound and 9 minute Club — 3, 2, 1.

From a pudgy Freshman to wrestling captain is the story of Al. Always one to voice his opinions, Al talked his way into many weeks of confinement as a rat; but his head never lowered and he kept his pride. He is the greatest friend a person could have; always willing to put his shoulder to the harness and help, always ready for a good time, and full of life. The chef of many steak dinners in barracks, Al has the tongue for rare meat and Pepsi. He has fought with his bully roommates for three years but being one of the best room wrestlers in barracks Al has on occasion defeated the entire room at one time.

Al will enjoy life because of his intense desire to succeed, enthusiasm and his great attitude. Best of Luck, Al, but you'll make your own breaks.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Bob Elliot and Sal Spada

Class of 1978: Dave Knies

Douglas Frederick Kulick
"Koock" "El Instructor" "Whipped Cream Wizard"

Rochester, New York

History — U.S. Marines

Pvt., Cpl., Sgt., 2nd Lt.; Bd. Co. — 4, 3, D. Co. — 2, 1; Rat Swimming Young Republicans; IRC, Pugil-Stick Instructor — 3, 2, 1; Ranger; NYC Vet — 3, 2, 1; Scuba Club; M.S. Armor Modeler; Marshall Library Receptionist; Marine Mess Night Committee; PLC S-3.

Well, folks, what can anyone (even his UNO buddy) say about this well-endowed plugging-in, flashing Keydet who was infamous for exploits such as: spotting comforters, grossing out the R. E. Lee, howling like a mandrill at sick movies, cruising to White's Truck Farm, in his red Jag with "Pay to the Piper" and "Signed Sealed & Delivered" blasting on the radio? As Doug would say, "Todes Sin Valor!" (a quick translation — WORTHLESS!). The highlight of Koock's cadetship was 3 NYC-UN trips w/ the MBC-VMI contingency complete w/ Jimmy Day's cheap cigars, and rowdiness! However, there were countless other events: T.Y.'s class, Easter Hops (23 times!), and cheese-dog snorkling. Good Luck to a "Get it where you can" Marine.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Bob Benham

Class of 1978: Gerry Robinson

Larremore John La Monte
"Larremore" "L.J." "The Peanut Butter Man"

Copperas Cove, Texas

History — Armor

Pvt. — 4, Pvt. — 3, Pvt./Sgt. (Ret.), Pvt.; DMS; Military Order of World Wars of Merit; Army ROTC 4 Year Scholarship; RECONDO; Tanker Platoon; Sergeant; Aquatic Tank, M-48A1; Experimental Committee, Chairman; Rat Diver; Varsity Diver; Swimming Team Manager; Rat Swimming Cadet Assistant; Cheerleader; Sacred Order of Cinematography Projekionists; Second Stoop Pub Club Master at Arms; 200 Club of 1972; Fire Fighters; CADET Rat; Heavy Chevy Motor Club; Equestrian Club; "MBC-VMI IRC Trip to the 'UN' Club; Gim Kykes Club; Doo-Doo's Trilogies; Texas RANGERS; Flag Club; Dick's, Sam's and Larry's 07 Club; 4th Platoon Charlie Club.

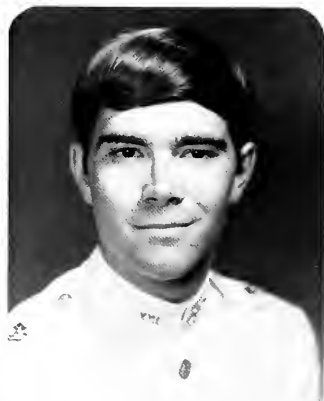
See that bus a comin'. It's comin' round that bend. I ain't seen the outside since I don't know when. For I've been at VMI since 19 August 71, and now I'm a First Classman — I'll soon be going home.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Brad Swingle, Rick Hack, Stu Johnson

Class of 1978: Gary Brumback, Mark Antony Gentile



William Manton Landrum III



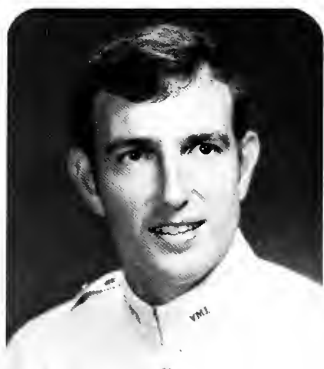
Robert Alan Lane



David Edward Lape



Richard Nathaniel Law



Dennis Lee Lewin



Barry Stanley Lineback



Larry Shaw Lineback



John Wesley Logan, Jr.

William Manton Landrum III

"Rojo" "Tex"
San Antonio, Texas
Economics - Armor

Pvt., Cpl., Sgt.: Academically Distinguished; Who's Who; Managing Editor, 1975 Bomb; Superior Cadet Award; Ft. Bragg; Publications Board; Young Republicans; Rat Football; Distinguished Military Student; High Rent District; Charter Member; Midwinter's Drunk and Off Color Joke-Telling Seminar; Pre-Law Society; Firefighters; Recondo Club; After Taps Bridge Club.

Bill came to the "I" from the Lone Star State with a look of determination common to all misguided souls who take that wrong turn at Uva and end up at VMI. (What? No frat Parties?) This determination is still with him today, and has paid off not only in terms of academic excellence, but also in terms of immortality (in bronze, no less).

Bill is the only guy I know whose love life reads like that of the stock market, and with that in mind, we can equate his Ring Figure with Black Friday. (However, the Blue Chip Stock now seems to be Goshen Pass, Inc., and believe me it does pay dividends!)

Yes, it has been an experience to know this Rocket of the Econ. dept. who is one of the two people in our class to have had the "Root" for 3 straight semesters, and not have grown 8 legs from all the "spider sessions".

Good luck to a best friend and remember to bring your tweed jacket for all those Ivy League football games. May I play through? Your Jag or mine?

DYKES: Class of 1972: Britt Harrison

Class of 1978: Morrison Bryan III, Ken Singleton

Robert Alan Lane

"RB"
Ladysmith, Virginia
Economics - Military Science

2 Lt.; Academically Distinguished; First Stand Economics; Who's Who; Editorial Editor, VMI Cadet; Copy Editor, 1975 Ring Figure Magazine; International Relations Society; English Society; English Speaking Union; Chairman Publications Board; President, Omicron Delta Epsilon; Pre-Law Society; Madison Weekend Pilgrimage Union; St. Bernard Lovers Society; Superior Cadet Award; Charter Member: Midwinter's Drunk and Off Color Joke-Telling Seminar.

For the past four years, RB has excelled in every aspect of cadet life. I suppose the whole story of RB at the Mother "I" was not what awards he would receive, but which ones he wanted. From private his rat year to stars and stripes forever his first class year, he always seemed to keep one step ahead of the Institute, whether it be "popcorn" sessions in the "Cellar" to the creaking of doors under the Heritage House our second class year. Surviving on weekends at Madison after numerous "spider" sessions, VMI has unknowingly developed the epitome of a true citizen CIVILIAN. RB will not only graduate number one from the "Root Cellar" holding the status of "Residing Rocket", but will also leave the Institute number one in the hearts of his brother rats. See you at the TOP . . . Number 2 tries harder.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Rick Bryan

Class of 1978: Bill Hardy, Henry Clay Barlow

David Edward Lapé

"Salvo"
Woodbridge, Virginia
Economics - ROTC

Pvt. - 4, Cpl. - 3, Sgt. - 2, 1st Lt. - 1; Dean's List; Army ROTC; BUFO Founding Father; Co-owner Room 13 Econo-Travel Motel; Swimming - 4, 3, 2; Cadet Staff - 3.

August 19, 1974 saw the birth of the one and only Salvo. The first few days of cadre were quite a shock for Salvo as could be seen by the color of his underwear after the first morning. However, after potty training, Salvo was headed for a successful four years at VMI. Academics and pitching pennies kept Salvo busy his rat year. With the anticipation of becoming a hard-nosed corporal, Salvo returned for his third class year. Then occurred that fateful night of the third class party - the morning afterward in which Salvo found himself in the hospital with 13 brother rats in a condition approaching alcohol poisoning. Salvo's 2nd and 1st class years have been dominated by that wild weasel from Atlanta, known as Sherri. What more could be said about a helluva guy except "battered down the hatches for the wedding in May."

DYKES: Class of 1972: Butch Winstead

Class of 1978: Joe Tulsick, Cliff Seible

Richard Nathaniel Law

"Dep" "Dawg"
Bassett, Virginia
Biology - Aerospace

Pvt. - 4, Cpl. - 3, Sgt. - 2, 1st Lt. - 1; Dean's List; Rat Basketball - 4; J.V. Basketball - 2; Golf Team - 2, 1; Honorary Member of Ghetto Club.

Dawg brought a few things to VMI; the most notable of these were Clarke, his personality, and his humor. One must also admit he has a definite interest in biology, although he had probably rather study it in a more practical laboratory manner.

Many students set their goals to be a great scholar, novelist, scientist, etc., but Dawg's first goal is to be a greater person. He has really come a long way since he came to VMI. From a simple conservative country boy, he has come to be a true and sincere friend and a helluva guy.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Chriss Foster

Class of 1978: John Thomasson, Drew Stone

Dennis Lee Lewin

"Popeye"
Portsmouth, Virginia
Civil Engineering - Infantry

Pvt. - 4, 3, 2, 1; Rat Football - 4; Varsity Baseball - 4, 3, 2, 1; President RDC; Monogram Club - 4, 3, 2, 1; Monogram Club President - 1; Paramount and Mooring Club - 3, 2, 1.

Corp, Brains, and I (Jingles) have spent three years with Popeye and I think I can honestly say that we've seen everything. Under the influence of a crazy group of baseball players (the most notable being the Big C.E.), Popeye has gone from a dedicated, skilled athlete to a disrupter of hippie joints in Charleston, S.C. Third class Saturday nights and some great baseball trips all add up to one helluva time with one helluva guy. Popeye has always been around when needed and never lets anybody keep a frown on his face. The 111 gang has been with Popeye for three years now and believe me Dennis, none of us will ever forget you . . . Thanks guys, Mom and Dad, Mr. Adams, Big Brothers and the rest of the Lewin gang, and especially Betts.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Phil Smith

Class of 1978: Glenn Smith, Bill Pearson

Barry S. Lineback

"Barry" "BS"
Wilmington, North Carolina
History - Army

Pvt. - 4; Cpl. - 3; RMS - 2; Captain - 1 (Regimental Executive Officer); Army ROTC 4-Year Scholarship; 1975 Activities Committee - 3, 2; Recondo Club; Super Summer 74 Platoon K.A. Award; Soche Club - 3, 2, 1; Hot Pizzas.

If someone ever asks who Barry Lineback was, the answer he would surely get from his BR's, the Corps who knew him, or the Administration he worked with, would be that he was one of the most respected men in his class and in the Corps. From the basic non-entity Rat, Barry worked successfully through his cadetship at his goal of constructive improvement of the VMI world. He strove for excellence in all he did - be it running the new merit system or giving sound advice to those who sought it. The person you undoubtedly turn to for answers, advice, or just good listening would be Barry. He was known by the entire Corps as one of those unique men that VMI is always searching for, is fortunate to call hers for four years, and more fortunate to have as one of her graduates.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Chris Murphy

Class of 1978: Tom English

Larry S. Lineback

"LS" "Linebox"
Wilmington, North Carolina
History - Army

Pvt. - 4; Cpl. - 3; First Sergeant - 2; Captain - 1 (Second Battalion Commander); Dean's List; 1975 Activities Committee; \$33.00 worth of Pizza Club; RECONDOL!; Graduate "Super Summer '74"; Resident Hi-Rent District.

I never knew that there was a Wilmington in North Carolina, I always thought Delaware had a monopoly on cities with that name. I also never knew that N.C. produced anything besides chiggers, sand, pine trees, and Sam Ervin. However, I now realize that there is a Wilmington, N.C. and that it did produce Larry, alias Lawrence of Lexington.

Larry is a Brother Rat known for his sense of humor which can leave one rolling on the ground, scratching his head, or cut to screds by its occasional keen sarcastic edges. But more important, Larry is a person who has gained the respect of his Brother Rats for adhering to his beliefs, goals, and for what he thinks is right. My only regret is that the Institute will lose him through graduation, and that I haven't had the opportunity to know many others like him. (SUPPORT US RAILROADS!)

DYKES: Class of 1972: Thomas O. Brock

Class of 1978: F. W. Sherman, R. H. Nelson

John Wesley Logan Jr.

"Skippy"
Southeast Asia
Civil Engineering - Naval Science

Pvt. - 4, 3, 2, 1; F-Troop; Perverted Corner - 4, 3, 2, 1; Navy OCS; Judo - 4; Debate - 3, 2, 1; L.H. Cadet Assistant - 3, 2, 1; Theatre - 2, 1; Cadet - 4, 3, 2; International Relations Club - 3, 2, 1; Secretary - 2; Managing Editor, Ring Figure Magazine - 2; Chairman ASCE Annual Report; Committee - 1; Bomb - 2, 1; Photo Sales Editor - 1; Posit Committee - 2, 1; Chairman - 1; Dean's List; Co-Editor, 1975 Bulletin for Entering Cadets.

Departing slightly from tradition, I have decided to write my own history, for who knows better the hardships and happiness I have experienced at VMI.

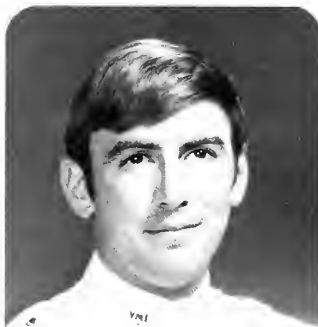
On August 19, along with 374 other "rats", I entered a world so utterly alien it was all but incomprehensible. Slowly, through restrictions and new found friends, I changed - I became a man.

Along the path many a hand and foot was lent, depending on the incentive needed. To my third class roommates and their respective families I owe more than I can ever repay - my graduation, and my future.

We have all been changed, and changed VMI - and I leave knowing I'll be back - to see my friends - and my private legacy.

DYKES: Class of 1975: Carsten Hillsdon

Class of 1978: Steve Downey, Art Noble



Charles Moultrie Louthan



Rodney David Low



Kenneth Arbuthnot MacGowan III



Arthur Nigel MacKenzie-Graham



Silas Arthur Madren



John Martin Maples, Jr.



Phillip Taliaferro Marshall



Frank Frederick Martin, Jr.

Charles Moultrie Louthan
"Loth"

Richmond, Virginia
Economics — Artillery

Pvt. — 4, 3, 1; Sgt. — 2; Football — 4, 3, 2; Track — 4, 1; Ghetto; Dean's List; Posit Committee; No. 1 Club; ODE; Who's Who; Pioneer Investment Club.

"Loth" was one of the few cadets at VMI to receive a double dose of character building, not only did he have to endure the rigors of the institute but he suffered many "ups and downs" by the hands of the Vees. With a blemish free record, and an image of an ideal cadet, the Toolshed finally recognized that in Loth they had a true leader of men, and second semester saw Loth sporting the stripes of Sergeant. Deciding to make it a big semester all the way, he was caught with a car, lost his stripes, and was on confinement for the first time in his cadetship. Despite all of this, Chip participated in a wide range of activities and although he never wore cadet Captain stripes, I am sure he will be a Captain of Industry. P.S. Drop by my farm someday and we'll eat some watermelon.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Kevin Daigh
Class of 1978: Tom Booker, John Forsyth

Rodney David Low
"Crid" "Liz"

Middleburg (Middle of Nowhere), Virginia
History & RAK — M.S. Armor

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Dean's List: IRC President — 3, 2, 1; Debate Team — 4, 3, 2, 1; Militaria Society — 3, 2, 1; Honors History; DMS; Golden Coast. Back in High School the odds were 7:2 that Rod would not make it through the VMI Rat Line. When Rod was almost the first Rat sentinel and when he had his first taste of the RDC and Scotty Haas, I had my doubts that Rod was going to make it. Rod served his share of confinement and penalty tours even though he tried to keep his nose clean. Rod always liked the discomforts of the old barracks and to add to those discomforts he always had to put up with the strangest roommates (Zoogie, Eddy, Miller, etc.). His friends have to be the strangest and most diverse collection ever put together, but a friend Rodney always was, and is will be to those of us who know him. Rod thanks for making it through VMI, ratline and all.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Bruce Ruthven

Class of 1978: Paul Campella

Kenneth Arbuthnot MacGowan III

"Tad" "Kojack"
Fairfax, Virginia

History — Military Science

Pvt. — 4; Cpl. — 3; M/Sgt. — 2, 2nd Lt. — 1; Honor Court; Dean's List; Academically Distinguished — 2; History Honors Program; Posit Committee — 2; BSU — 2, 1; PLC; Future Wormfarmers of Rockbridge County Club.

"Behold, I stand at the door and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come into him, and will sup with him, and he with me." — Jesus

"For to me to live is Christ . . ." — St. Paul

"I met the Lord, and finally found out what living was all about — HALLELUJAH!!!!" — T. MacGowan

DYKES: Class of 1972: Rich Wilson

Class of 1978: Joe Mounts

Arthur Nigel Mackenzie-Graham

"Nigel"
Lima, Peru S.A.

Economics — Aerospace

Pvt. 4, 3, 2, 1; Ghetto; Ghetto Garbage — 4, 3, 2, 1; Soccer — 2, 1; Monogram Club — 2, 1; President Economics Coffee Club — 1; C.S.R. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Academic Pro. — 3, 2; Conduct Pro. — 2.

"Nigel" having spent the majority of his cadetship on confinement, serving P.T.'s. He has gone through the old "I" the hard way. Cindy continuously keeping him in line enabled him to put up with the V.M.I. and its traditions. Through the four years and summers, "Nigel" has continued to smile and has kept his humor, enthusiasm, his love of one woman, and his R.D.C. cards. All the best of luck to you and Cindy. It has been fun.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Craig Taylor
Class of 1978: Chris Stone, Jim Pengson

Silas Arthur Madren
"SAM"

Suffolk, Virginia
Civil Engineering — Marines

Pvt. — 4; Grub Pvt. — 3, 2, 1; Student Grotto.

Four years are mighty short when viewed from this end. Between trying to get "SAM" a score on the side off every pin-ball machine, filling vending machines, and goofing around with the computers — is it a wonder he has trouble finding time to study?

Guess Sam got tired of taking his BR's to listen to the music at the HOPS 'cause after his second year here, he found a Madison girl to go to the HOPS with. Hear they might be getting married sometime in the future and make it legal. Good luck, Virginia — you'll need it! Larry and Dick.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Charles Thomas Uguhart

Class of 1978: Nicholas Francis

John Martin Maples Jr.

"The John" "Maypo"
Mechanicsville, Virginia

History — U.S. Army

Pvt. — 4, 2, 1. Cpl. — 3; Perverted Corner; President Hop Committee; President and Vice President Civil War Roundtable; 1st Vice President Young Republicans Club; Treas. V.M.I. Rugby Club; Distinguished Military Student; Recondo; A Co. Intramural Athlete of the Year — 1971-1972; 116 Club; Rum Truckers Ltd.

Well the "John" came to V.M.I. from a town having a population of about 120,000 . . . trees! His many faults, bad orange and knife throwing, cheap shots, and other nasty habits found him a home as a Captain of the Rugby Club. His fame as a Rugby Hugger grew throughout the state, as any girl from Madison, Radford, or Mary Baldwin can tell you. When you say Bud, don't say it too loud or John will haunt you the rest of the day. The total is 8, right? John must thank VMI for all the advanced skills he learned while here, like making a watermelon helmet for Gen. Washington! Remember, the one who marries first owes the other a night on the town.

The Army gets you next, but no one considers you more of a friend than your BR's!

DYKES: Class of 1972: Robert Murray
Class of 1978: Hans Jan Hooser, John Garrett

Phillip Taliaferro Marshall

"Phil" "Flo" "Snake" "Space" "Field Marshal"

Gloucester, Virginia

Biology — Armor

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Ghetto — 4; Pervert — 4, 3, 2; Bowery Boys — 2, 1; Young Republican — 4, 3; Cross Country — 4, 3, 2, 1; Indoor and Outdoor Track — 4, 3, 2, 1; Most Valuable Freshman Award in Track — 4; Monogram Club — 3, 2, 1.

"Spaceman" splashed down in the courtyard on that August morning and set out to make a name for himself. After four years he's made quite a few of them. Most of them unmentionable. His charm and sophistication with women is widely known throughout VMI and Virginia in general. Radford just wouldn't be the same without "Space". His exploits on the cinder track are also something to behold. How could anyone beat "Space" when he's used to high speed travel out in outer space. As a Bowery Boy, he added a little extra class by being the token jock and one of the better beer drinkers of the crew.

Now, "Space," heads into the Army (will it be missiles or airplanes?) to guard the nation against all foes. As he departs, we hear those infamous words, "One small step for mankind . . . One giant stumble for "Space". Good luck in all your endeavors, Phil!!!!!!

DYKES: Class of 1972: Lee Harrison
Class of 1978: Rex Wiggins, Mike McCarthy

Frank Frederick Martin, Jr.

"Freddie" "Fred"
Chester, Virginia

Biology — Military Science

Pvt. 4, 3, 2, 1; Air Force Pilot; Resident of Pervert Strip; VMI CADET — 4, 3, 2, Editor-in-Chief — 1; Hop Committee — 4, 3, 2, Vice President — 1; Publications Board — 1; Biology Librarian.

Fred may be the only guy in VMI history who came married and left engaged. Though Fred got caught the first time on the midnight patrol, it didn't hamper his style. Rooming with 2 rats for the next 3 years, he still managed to remain a grub private. Throughout this time of different girls and indifferent grades he got stuck in a broken-down car on the first date and . . . and now he's engaged! (Only Fred) Advice to Jolie: Fred can be counted on for a good time, but don't let him get drunk. May Jolie and Fred have the best in the future. Jolie, we know you can handle him, but good luck anyway! From the kids in 122.

"To all those I love: Family, friends, enemies, and especially to the one who made it all worthwhile — Jolie! I love you all!!!!"

DYKES: Class of 1972: Keith "Merle" Younger
Class of 1978: Edwin Little, Joe Arnold



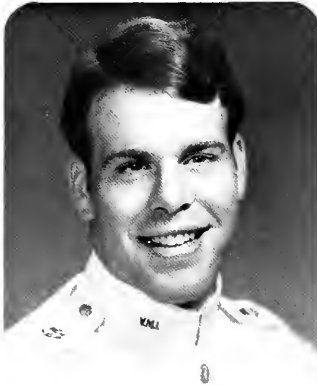
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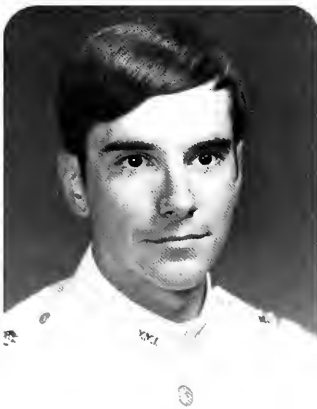
Richard Duncan McFarland



Charles Thomas McKinney



Harry Joseph McKnight III



James Melvin Mesnard



Devery Steven Miller

Thomas Alfred Mason
 "Tee" "Mase" "Masson" "Tango-Alpha"
 Richmond, Virginia

Historical Engineer - Infantry
 Pvt. - 4, 3, 2, 1; Firefighters - 3, 2, 1; Pervert Strip; Cadet Waiters; Head Waiter; Rugby Club; Rat Football; F-Troop.

What makes sense around here anyway? He's on some kind of a one man search for potential Number 1's . . . but you know folks, there's just no such thing as the Number 1 World Champion goddess . . . it's true . . . but apparently, there are some Number 2's situated here and there. . . . Rugby, friends, encouragement, and carrying mean a bunch to him. But, for all the absurdities that VMI has offered to him, . . . well it has helped him we reckon. "Let's get frisky with 'em now guys . . . guts up . . . loose scrum with the whole world now."

May will make sense . . . of course . . .

"Mainly, I want to thank Mom and Dad more than any other two people on the team of humanity; they and several other pals have kept me in the starting line-up for a good long while . . . okay! Uhhh-huhhh!"
 DYKES: Class of 1972: Denny Sullivan
 Class of 1978: Pete Dillon, Jay Nichols, Joe Arnold

Martin Donald Matlaga

"Mat" "Marty"
 Linden, New Jersey
 English - Artillery

Pvt. - 4, 3, 2, 1; Grub - 4, 3, 2, 1; No-Shave Club - 4, 3, 2, 1; Short Hair Club - 4, 3, 2, 1; Marine-at-Heart Club - Forever.

There are only three places at VMI Mat can be found; in the rack, the weight room, or the library. Around these three things Mat's life at, "the hole," revolves. Very few people study as hard and as long as Mat does, but he always finds time for his beloved weights. One thing is true about Mat, no matter how hard he is working he always has time to help someone, no matter who they are or what their problems. Few people have such a great personality as Mat.

Mat's two biggest problems during his cadetship were sweating out the unwanted prospect of getting rank and the Marines determination to make him get a new pair of shoes.

Mat has not decided what he is going to do after he graduates, but whatever it is, I am sure the whole class, the whole school, wishes him the best of luck.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Criss Kinsler
 Class of 1978: Jim Mackin

James William McCriskin
 "Jimbo" "Crisco" "Junior Doctor"
 "Marcus McCriskin"

South Plainfield, New Jersey
 Biology - Air Force

Pvt. - 4, Cpl. - 3, Sgt. 2, Pvt. - 1; Young Republicans (Chairman); Who's Who; Arnold Air Society (Commander); Pre-Med Society (Chairman); Ring Design Committee; Ring Figure Committee; Adjutant to GOD; Academically Distinguished; Pervert Corner; The Bowery Boys.

Crisko came through Jackson Arch with a stethoscope in one hand and a teddy bear in the other. After four years, he still has both and a little more to boot. As the president of the "Everything at VMI Club," he got his grubby little hands into just about everything at the "I", and actually did some good. With the help of the Mole and the Head, he has increased his alcoholic capacity 100% to two tall boys, and with a little practice he may make three before the end. His escapades at the Holiday Inn and the Econo-Travel are infamous, and he definitely left his mark on some Radford sweetie, or did she leave her mark on him? But all in all, he came through all-right. If we can get him to trade that teddy bear for something a little bit warmer and cozier, his life as a cadet will be complete. I guess he's saving his teddy bear, or something else for marriage. I sure puzzle us! Keep plugging Marcus, in all the right places. "The Bowery Boys"
 DYKES: Class of 1972: Alan McElroy
 Class of 1978: John Roser and "Sambo Saunders"

Richard Duncan McFarland

"Mac" "Maco" "Hippo"
 Alexandria, Va.

History - Armor

Corporal; Sergeant; Firefighters - 3, 2, 1; Pervert Corner - 4, 3, 2, 1; Rugby 2, 1; Plantation - 2, 1; DMS; Ring Figure Com.; 75 Policy Com.; G.C. Com.; G.R.I.B. - 3; B.O.C. - 3; MARRIED - 5.

Usually there is always some aspect of VMI that appeals to everybody, whether it be academics, athletics, the military, or the Plantation. It took Mac a couple of years to finally decide on the Plantation and Susan.

If there is one word to describe the Hippo it would be "lucky". Few people have matched his disregard for VMI constituted law and order and gotten away with it. But being true to himself, Mac has found his joy in Susan and the rack, not necessarily in that order.

His presence has added many laughs and much good cheer to the entire barracks, but especially to his roomies. When one needs a friend he is always there with a helping hand.

Mac is not the kind of person you say goodbye to, you merely get his address and mail him a subscription to Playboy on his birthday.

Good luck ZULU, we love you.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Billy Youell
 Class of 1978: Jim Eggeman, Chip Schelhorn

Charles Thomas McKinney

"C.T." "Spartacus"

Ashland, Kentucky

Electrical Engineering - Naval Aviation

Pvt. - 4, 3, 2, 1; Rugby; Rangers; Certified Beat Sheet; Rat Training; Varsity Mud Slide; 2.0 Achievement Club; Indoor Track - 4; Hit Man - 1, 2, 3, 4.

Charles Thomas McKinney came to VMI as a distinguished Platoon leader in Jr. Army ROTC from Ashland H.S. As his name quickly changed to C.T., so went his military bearing. Having done this, we all soon learned that C.T.'s only two loves were Teri and flying.

Later during his 3rd class year, while in search of a lost military style, C.T. did a short stint with the rangers and then the marines. With these efforts C.T. gained the unique name of Spartacus, or Spart for short. From here he became a man in great demand. From aiding his brother rats in clearing out pests to watchful, ever-boning eyes of superman's best friend. Yes Spart has had a few run ins with the boys in blue, but will hopefully straighten out this problem as he gains his waterwings.

Thanks Spart, We'll call you for a contract.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Jim Pettyjohn
 Class of 1978: Scot Singletary

Harry Joseph McKnight III

"Big H" "Harry" "Wideload"

Norfolk, Virginia

History - Air Force

Pvt. - 4, 3, 2, 1; Football - 4, 3, 2, 1; Monogram Club Secretary - 1; RDC Secretary; Cadet Staff; Skool Club; Soak and Joke Club; Ghetto 154 Debate Team.

Harry is a lover! He loves football, and during the season it is a steady relationship. Who can forget the quote "No one is going to drink in this room until November 23!" After the season he loves to party. In his junior year he loved all the cheerleaders from Sem. Was it seven dates for Homecoming '74? Well, we all know what Harry loves now, and of course it all began in a . . . pub!

Harry you are semi-tough, for someone who likes Budweiser. We know we will always see you where there's a beach with girls, beer, and Coach Weatherford. There is not too much to say to the guy who keeps you up when you're down, except, "We love you Bro!" To all of you who don't know Harry he is "the humminist sumbitch that ever carried a football".
 DYKES: Class of 1972: Bill Smith
 Class of 1978: Jim Reynolds, Joe Arnold

James Melvin Mesnard

"Jim" "Mes" "The Nard" "Maynard"

Hyattsville, Maryland

Economics - Infantry

Cpl., Sgt., Master Sgt., Lt.; Dean's List; Rangers; Cadet Battery; Firefighters; Aggressors; Armed Forces Club; Activities Committee; DMS' Young Republicans.

The "just magnificent Mes" came to VMI with the intention of doing no work and getting good grades. He is one of the few who has succeeded in this mission. He always had the ability to sniff out a good B.S. session in progress and rarely missed one. The blue bathrobed, pipe smoking Mes could always be seen heading down looking in doors to see who he could bother. If not heading down the stoop, Mes was probably at the "P" emptying tall Buds. But to all who knew him, Jim was a great friend, always with a sympathetic ear to the problems of his B.R.'s and always taking time to listen to them. He has been the kind of friend who will remain in the minds and hearts of his B.R.'s forever. We wish him the very best.

DYKES: Class of 1978: Bob Burgio

Devery Steven Miller

"Dev"

Hagerstown, Maryland

History - Air Force

Pvt.; Cpl.; Sgt.; 2 Lt.; Rifle Team - 3, 2, Captain - 1; Arnold Air Society - 2, 1; Jackson's Battery - 3; Flight Instruction Program; Va. Gentleman; Zoo.

What can you say about a roommate of three years who looks you in the eye and says with a straight face, "If you would obey the regulations, you wouldn't be on confinement." A statement which provoked considerable comment, but which demonstrated Dev's saving grace, a sense of humor. A resident of Maryland, Dev returned to his native state with all his B.R.'s when they needed his help. His friendship stood firm like the statue of Jackson. He has plotted his course and with a family motto of, "Onward, always onward," we are certain it will be straight and true.

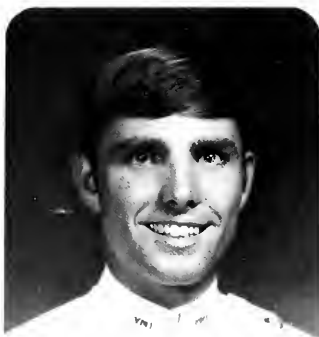
DYKES: Class of 1972: William C. Collier
 Class of 1978: Mike Bragale



Kenneth Vincent Miller



Robert Linwood Mills



Richard Oliver Mines, Jr.



Hamid Moghavemi-Tehrani



Michael James Monahan



Patrick Allen Morgan



William David Morris



John Robert Moschetti

Kenneth Vincent Miller
"Ken" "Mell" "Kung Fool"
Madison, New Jersey
Mathematics - Infantry

Pvt. - 1, 2, 3, 4; Sgt. - 2; Amateur Radio Club - 1, 2, 3, 4; Commanders - 2, 3; Rangers - 3; Karate Club - 1, 2, Pres. - 2; Sport Parachute Club - 3; Cross Country - 4; Track - 4; Swimming - 4; CSL - 4; SAC - 1, 2, 3. The Kung Fool arrived on 19 August 1971 figuring he had this place by the Balls. After a highly successful Rat Year (102 Demerits, 4 months of confinement, 212 P.T.s and a 2.0 GPA) he had a few different ideas.

His Third Class year, he became a GRRRRRANGER!!! All he could think of after that was Kung, Fool, Rangers, Girls, and Karate, Rangers, Academics and Tae Quan Do, Rangers. Then there was the Ranger FTX!! His physical wreck was returned to the "I" babbling something about Snuggles(?!?!).

Ken went on in his never ending struggles against Col Nichols (he lost), the registrar (he lost) and lastly Cloudy Williams. Good Luck to Ken and Sue, and may their memories of VMI be good ones.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Pat Moore

Class of 1978: Joe Cafarella and Mark Krebs

Richard Oliver Mines, Jr.
"Elvis" "B.C.C." "Rich"
Hot Springs, Virginia

Civil Engineering - Aerospace Science

Pvt. 4, 3, 2, 1; Dean's List; Monogram Club; BSU; Cross Country - 3, 2, 1; Captain Cross Country - 1; Indoor Track - 3, 2, 1; Co-Captain Indoor Track - 1; Outdoor Track - 4, 3, 2, 1; Tri-Captain Outdoor Track - 1; Ratline Committee; Elvis Fan Club; VMI 6-Mile School Record; FIP.

"Rich" came to VMI as the next best military school to the Air Force Academy. He arrived with aspirations of being a football standout, but was destined to be a distance runner. Coming out of the mountains of Bath County and into the VMI way of life was a rude awakening like the Renaissance to the Dark Ages. Being a country boy, Rich loved the outdoors, women, and Elvis. Elvis being his idol, Rich emulated his qualities and was known as the "B.C.C." and "Elvis Minez." The M.B.C. Bunnies could not stay away from him, neither could Rich. He never got homesick living only fifty miles away, but his parents, brother and sister would visit him on alternating weekends to help him survive the life at VMI. "Rich's" easy going attitude and smiling face will long be remembered by his Brother Rats.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Marshall Pinkard

Class of 1978: Craig Larrimore

Hamid Moghavemi-Tehrani
"Camel Driver" "M.T."
Teheran, Iran

Civil Engineering - Naval Science

Pvt. 4, 3, 2, 1; Monogram Club - 2, 1; Varsity Soccer - 4, 3, 2, 1; Excess - 4, 3, 2, 1; Ensign - Royal Iranian Navy; Captain of the Rat Soccer Team.

"M.T.", one of the most liked B.R.'s in our class came to the old "I" with the problem of not speaking English too well. This was no hinderance to him though. He soon overcame this problem then continued to demonstrate his learning ability by achieving high grades in engineering. On top of just being plain old smart, he made the Soccer team and became part of the nucleus of a strong team. One of the highest scorers in the game, it never went to his head, even if he is one of the "glory boys."

His intense desire to do well, definitely is one of his character traits that will make him a man of success. It is a shame though he will spend so much time in the Navy. Who knows, "M.T." probably will lead a coup and become King of Iran some day. If not, he will always remain King of our B.R.'s. Best of luck to you from your B.R.'s, me and Cindy.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Kris Kinsler

Class of 1978: Baque Keller

Michael James Monahan
"Mon" "Goon"
Alexandria, Virginia
English - Infantry

Pvt. 4, 3, 2, 1; Dean's List; Editor, Ring Figure Magazine; Copy Editor, Bomb, *CADET STAFF, Copy Manager, Junior Editor; Varsity Rack Lab; Varsity; Debate Team; Ghetto; Number 1 Club; 500 Demo Club; Associate Editor 1975 BOMB.

The four long years are almost over, and Mike has survived. A slight detour arose, but he managed to get back on the road to the beginning.

It is the world's loss that Mon's accomplishments during his years at VMI can only be shared by his brother rats. Hard, Thankless hours produced the Ring Figure Magazine. This was truly a publication that he can be proud of, and it captures a moment that with his work we will never forget. Indeed, his work at the Institute has gone unnoticed, except by a tactical staff that gave him more recognition than he could handle.

Mike strove, year after year, to bring his test grades on the same level with his demerits. Summa Cum Laude was his objective. So What's in a 3.8 anyway? A heart of a lion is what Mike owns, and that is one thing a special report cannot take away.

To "T.H.E. GOON", and his rack, wherever you settle down, we know that the earth will undoubtedly tremble under you.

To my parents, the Tamez Family, and Uncle Bill and Papa Slate - Thanks - I needed all of you to make it.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Tom Moncure

Class of 1978: Don "Hippie Rat" McGinnis, Mark Hellman

William David Morris
"Buzz" "Mercury"
Corpus Christi, Texas
Biology - Armor

Cpl., Sgt., Pvt., 4 year Army ROTC Scholarship, Pre-Med Society, Fire Fighters, Zoo Crew, High Rent District, Apathy Club.

Dave came to the Institute signed, sealed, and delivered to the US Army. This Texas boy soon excelled: showing corporal stripes his third class year, sergeant stripes his second class year, and not gaining true dignity among the corps until becoming a first class private. In all respects, Dave should have matriculated as a first classman. Who could forget that mysterious red Firebird behind Johnnies our second class year, accompanied by those numerous social trips to Virginia Tech. And when not on the road, one could always find him down by the Maury fishing, and enjoying the simple things of life. Academically, Dave always had good intentions of getting a solid nights work done, which eventually developed into a routine reconnaissance of the OCMNI. Dave entered the Mother "I" with the hope of becoming a Strac Recondo, and leaves with the dreams of attaining a position in the coveted M.A.S.H. Corps. So, to Dave and Jeannie, good luck where ever your shingle may hang!

DYKES: Class of 1972: Eric Hammerson

Class of 1978: Joe Bright

John Robert Moschetti
"Mosc"
Richmond, Virginia

History - Military Science

Cpl., Sgt. - 2, 1st Sgt. - 1; Delta Company Commander; Dean's List; Superintendent's List; President Civil War Roundtable; 1975 Ring Figure Committee; English Speaking Union; Rat Training; PX Supper Club; New Barracks Hockey Team.

On that day in August 1971 when "Mosc" first entered Jackson Arch, there was but one thing everyone wanted to know. Was he for real? He sure was, and over these last four years, this Cadet from Richmond has come to be remembered in the minds of his classmates and is sure not to be forgotten. In this year, the 200th anniversary of the beginning of the American Revolution this anglophile will still not admit the colonials won. In between listening for hours to the pipes and drums of the Black Watch and studying diligently to stay on the Dean's List, Mosc has still managed to put in an appearance at the big "p" almost every night of his cadetship.

DYKES: Class of 1972: None

Class of 1978: Tom Fields, Mark Bryant



Jon Mounts



Michael Joe Mueller



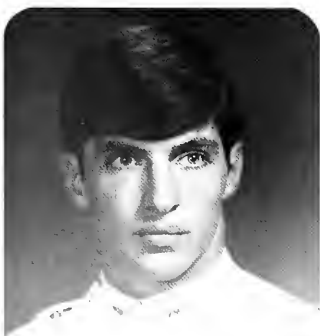
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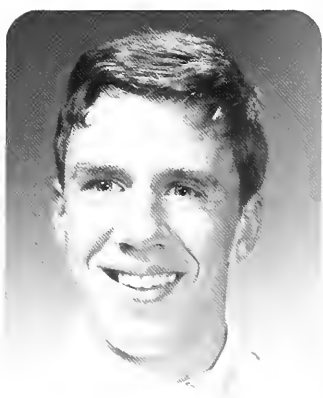
Harley Ross Myler, Jr.



Jack Irvin Newcommer, Jr.



Ronald Jerome Norman



Temple Richard North, Jr.

Jon Mounts
"Francis Flesh"
Washington, Penn.

Civil Engineering - Military Science

Pvt. - 4, 3, 2, 1; Fencing: ASCE.

Jon had many achievements at VMI. He is currently the co-holder of the world record for Double-Behind-the-Back-Socks with a total of twenty. He is a renowned expert on women. If you don't believe me just ask him. His most noteworthy publication was his book, "Modesty and How I Attained It". Jon was a good roommate and a good brother. All the brothers and sisters in Staunton send you their love. May the Lord bless, brother.

Michael Joe Mueller
"Ironman"

Burke, Virginia
Mathematics - USMC

Pvt. - 4, Cpl. - 3, Col. Sgt., Reg. Opns. Sgt. - 2, 1st Lt. - 1; PLC Hop and Floor Committee; BUFU Founding Father; Co-owner Room 13 Econo-Travel Motel.

When "Ironman" came to the Institute he had great aspiration to become the career-type jarhead. He did not smoke, drink or - - - - -. His first year saw good grades and short hair with the anticipation of the following summer at Quantico.

With Quantico behind him, he returned for his third class year with corporal stripes and was destined to become an all-time great in the "rack race."

The end of his third class year saw academic excellence, an introduction to the evil of Zollman's and the beginning of his love-life. Ah yes, his love life. First there was the Marine Corps, then Nancy, then Rose, and finally Kristine. Who would ever think that the "sweet young thing" from Springfield would lasso the Iron Man?

The BUFU's of 160 wish you and Kristine the best of luck.

Carry-on Candidate

DYKES: Class of 1972: Pat Lavery

Class of 1978: Bryant Street and Greg Larson

Michael Joseph Mulligan

"Mike" "Mikie"

York, Pennsylvania

Civil Engineering - Army

Pvt. - 4, Cpl. - 3, Pvt. 2, 1; 1975 Activities Committee; Karate Club - 2, 1; Ballet - 1; Bell Telephone Operator's Union; Recondo Club; WLUR-FM Radio Club - 2, 1; DMS.

What can you say about a guy who came to VMI as a rat with all those delusions of grandeur on rank and academics and who in his first class year is a private with a ninth semester ahead of him? What happened? Mike came to VMI with determination to make the most of VMI in his four years. He had a good start, but then Mono hit him and the class lost a great BR for a semester. Due to only Mike's determination and love for VMI was the class lucky enough to see him back. He returned with even more determination to succeed and he has been working hard ever since. Academics and having a good time have been on Mike's agenda since his return. He has done well in both. Even though you won't be graduating with us BR, you'll be with us in spirit. Good-luck Mike, but you really don't need it - you've already got it in you.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Roger Lodi

Class of 1978: John LeResche

David Landfred Mund

"Dave"

Poughkeepsie, New York

History - Military Science FA

Cpl. 3, Sgt. - 2, M/Sgt. - 2, Cpt. - 1; Dean's List; '75 Activities Committee Timmins Society.

Ever since David, the Yankee from New York, has been here, he has had three things on his mind; four stripes, a saber, and the Regimental Band. Well, he made it and justly! In David's spare time you could find him (somewhere like the Band room) studying, smoking a cigar, wetting his palate working on a gun, or just chewing the fat. His taste for the finer things in life has produced many enjoyable hours for himself and anyone with him. Even though his finances may limit him. He did manage to make the Ft. Bragg Officer's Club every weekend with a "select group" to eat and drink, their sorrows away concerning "Super Summer 74." Besides being the resident British aristocrat with his pith helmet. David is a great BR and Friend.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Harry Partridge

Class of 1978: David Gray, Ivan Coleman

Harley Ross Myler, Jr.

"Harley"

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Chemistry & Electrical Engineering

ACS; IEEE; ACM.

Centuries and Centuries roll on by and many men do pass. Some abstain from ignorance and reach unparalleled Peak. Such a man is young Myler an aspiring and prominent Chemist. BUT when you look to N.E.B. there he'll be found as an astute E.E. Let us pity and console Balazs along with the rest of the corps since the absence of Myler at the B5500 will certainly leave many perplexing computer programs unsolved. Now let us shift our attention into MAURY-Brooke Hall . . . Let's gaze upon its Nucleus and ask "Psi" how it will function at all! For certain Goller and Sattle will both go Mad without young Myler to guide them. V.M.I. should certainly be proud to have produced such an altruistic and aesthetic individual who wasted not years: but developed himself to a level far exceeding the mundane and banal world.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Bill Opipare

Class of 1978: Rob Huyett

Jack Irvin Newcomer, Jr.

"Moby"

Sykesville, Maryland

Enlish

Pvt. - 4, 1, Cpl. - 3, Sgt. - 2; Perverted Corner; Rum Truckers Ltd.; 116 Club; Monogram Club; Hop Committee; Football - 4, 3, 2, 1; Track - 4, 3, 2, 1; Baseball - 2; Tri-Captain Football - 1.

When anyone at VMI says jock, Jay immediately comes to mind. For this lumbering middle-linebacker has never walked a rat-line since he came to VMI, in fact, it's rumored he matriculated as a 3rd classman. Jay can easily be remembered by his swollen cheek or puffy lower lip, caused by an excessive chaw of Red Man or Skoal. A small petite Cuban rides herd on Jay, but we're glad she does; it makes him bearable. A true brother rat Jay will be with us forever.

DYKES: Class of 1971: Wayne Helder

Class of 1978: Glenn Jones, Keith Barber

Ronald Jerome Norman

"Nomo"

Norfolk, Virginia

History - Aerospace

Pvt. - 4; Cpl. - 3; Reg. Op. Sgt. - 2; Master Sgt. - 2; Reg. S-3 - 1; Dean's List; Vice-President of Class of 1975; Tri-Captain 1975 Football; GC Committee; Drug Committee; "Goon Tunes"; Who's Who.

Nomo, we can't say enough about him. His record as a cadet stands as one of the highest ever achieved at the VMI. His only fault is that he is too nice of a guy. However, this "fault" has made him one of the most respected and well liked members of our class. Ronnie was constantly stirring to make our class one of the finest to ever graduate. He is an inspirational leader both on and off the football field. Hopefully Ronnie will never desert his own inspiration "DB". No telling what will come of that combo. There can be no doubt that, "You," will always remain first in our hearts (especially his own "Goon Tunes").

DYKES: Class of 1972: Phil Wilson

Class of 1978: Johnny Garnett

Temple Richard North, Jr.

"Rick" "Rat" "Oral Oop"

Lynchburg, Virginia

Civil Engineering - Air Force

Pvt.; Rat Indoor and Outdoor Track; Grotto Club; Intramurals; "Professional Mortar Mixer".

Everyone has heard of the saying "you only go around once in life"; well Rick has stretched this motto a bit to make this a second and final go around at V.M.I. (which is truly representative of life), and this time he's determined to get that diploma. The one person who Rick most admired at V.M.I. was his dyke John Lutz, whom through thick and thin tried to keep Rick with a smile on his face; and thanks to John's help Rick wears that smile today. Rick also owes a lot to the faithfulness of his Brother Rats (1973); they too are still plugging for him. While out of V.M.I. for two and a half years, Rick found out how dear V.M.I. was; especially when he was a laborer mixing mortar; and saw this job to be the only "creative profession" within reach. Rick is grateful to the class of 1975 for letting him in their class, and he wishes them all the best of luck.



Arthur Bayne Nunn III



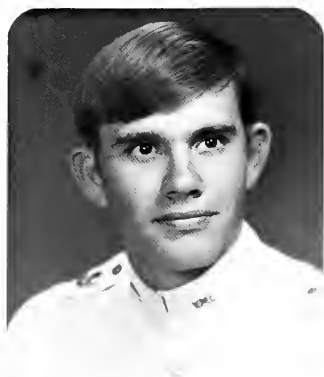
Robert Wayne O'Connor



John Brockenbrough Offley



John Clifford Overcash



William Hunter Overton



Timothy Arnold Parker



George Daniel Penny



Samuel Wilbert Phillips III

Arthur B. Nunn III
 "Artie" "Some" "A.B."
 Roanoke, Virginia
 Chemistry - Air Force

Pvt. - 4; Cpl. - 3; Sgt. - 2; Lt. - 1; Indoor Track - 4; Football - 3;
 FCA - 1; Civil War Roundtable - 3, 2, 1; Cadet Battery - 3; Pre-Med
 Society - 3; Young Republicans - 4, 3; Tub Club - 3, 2, 1; Spaceport -
 3, 2, 1.

Artie's cadetship started out with a bang but his enthusiasm dwindled
 almost as fast as his GPA. Being a member of the Rat - Third Stoop
 vigilante committee, however, was reason enough to stick it out.

Some's upperclass days were spent with such characters as EE, Uncle
 Dave, Nice Franks, and The Bag. Together they were instrumental in
 bringing NROTC to VMI by introducing full scale aquatic warfare to the
 tactical staff.

Who can forget "Some," and company getting caught locking the
 Porkers in during SNL.

With the help of two summer sessions, Artie will graduate in May, much
 to the relief of the little people next door. His only hope is that the
 changes he has worked for during his cadetship will someday come true
 making VMI a better school for everyone involved.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Tony Sarti
 Class of 1978: Mark Bottomly, Ken Krause

Robert Wayne O'Connor
 "Bob" "Flash"

Towson, Maryland
 Civil Engineering - Air Force

Pvt. - 4, 3, 2, 1; Dean's List; Ghetto; ASCE; Cross Country Team;
 Co-Captain Indoor-Outdoor Track Team; Band.

Reflecting, I have come to appreciate the fact that Bob fared rather
 well here. Never in any serious trouble, yet still receiving his share of
 demerits, "Flash" kept on trucking through his four years of VMI.

Bob is a roommate who would be hard to forget. You couldn't even if
 you wanted to! It was such a pleasure having the alarm clock go off at 6:00
 AM so that he could attend morning track practice! Or when he came in at
 night from studying and proceeded to fall over your chair in the dark, no
 matter where it was placed! Oh! To sleep - to dream...

Remembering the seemingly small and possibly insignificant happenings;
 isn't that indicative of friendship? So out of formality Bob, I wish you the
 best of luck, yet I know that you shall trot through life as if in the 880 -
 towards victory and success. Take care friend.

DYKES: Class of 1971: Emory Baya
 Class of 1978: Jeff Baumbach

John Brockenbrough Offley
 "John-Boy"

Williamsburg, Virginia
 History - P.L.C.

Pvt. - 4, 3, 2; 2nd Lt. - 1; Rifle & Pistol Club; Ranger Platoon; Ring
 Design Committee; Ring Figure Magazine; English Speaking Union; Caligula
 Fan Club; PX Supper Club.

"Leave me alone," and "Let's go to the X," are the monotonous drones
 of John-Boy Offley, the Institute's pet misanthrope. John's attitude has
 been fostered by certain events at VMI. For instance, rat year John
 managed to get downrange of a flying hayrole. Fortunately, this initial
 frapping attempt was a failure. There's always the time that he flaked out
 on a Ranger patrol and woke up among the chipmunks - sans rifle and
 PRC-77. But seriously, we all know about John's drinking prowess. Three
 beers is a lot, after all.

Part neo-Fascist and Dadaist, John envisions the revival of the Whip
 party and the re-establishment of the British Empire.

"Adversity introduces a man to himself." Anonymous
 DYKES: Class of 1972: Fred Baur

Class of 1978: Glenn Dallinger

John Clifford Overcash
 "Crash" "Cash"

Fairfax, Virginia
 Math, D.S. - Military Science

Pvt. - 4, 3, 2, 1; Dean's List; Run For Your Life; Zoo-Tac Stairs;
 Alfa-Grub.

VMI did a lot for John. I remember how well adjusted it made him
 when every Sunday in his rat year he would come in and like clock work,
 throw me out of my bed. Yes, very well adjusted and that was just the
 beginning. In his third class year John had the pleasure of going to Fort
 Dragg for the FTX, a pleasure that John was to repeat in Super Summer
 '74. John has always been noted for his wonderful attitude because John is
 even apathetic about apathy. I have a piece of wall graffiti that I will end
 with, I think it describes Crash's cadetship.

"As I slide down the banister of life I will always remember VMI as the
 Sliver up my ass... which got me going."

DYKES: Class of 1972: Robert Gore
 Class of 1978: Kevin Callahan, Mark Seely, A. Taylor Harvie

William Hunter Overton
 "Bill" "Wild Bill" "Flaps" "O.V." "Veece" "Beefy"
 "Nutlock" "Needle" "Underpound"

St. Petersburg, Florida

English - Army Artillery

Pvt. - 4, 3, 2, 1; Ghetto; 1975 G.C. Steering Committee; Tennis - 4, 3,
 2; Varsity Football Manager - 4, 3, 2, 1 (Head); Rugby - 1; Glee Club -
 4; Cadet - 2, 1; Monogram Club - 1, 2; English Society - 2, 1; Pioneer
 Investment Club - 2; Plantation Boys - 2; Hide A Way - 1; President,
 DDC - 1.

On August 19, 1971, the Veece limped through Jackson Arch a foolish
 grin on his face with ideas of becoming a lawyer, loving and a girl named
 Sue. Beefy found that everything at VMI was supposed to be taken
 seriously, but it didn't quite work out that way as he laughed his way
 through cadre from his first year (much to the disgust of the Goober).
 Love for Sue1 faded away but after a summer in Reno with the "Mustang
 Ranch," he found Sue2. Here was true love but after a disastrous raid on
 Sem and some mysterious pictures, Sir Veece struck out again. Fighting
 back with the, "Nublock," Veech fought hard against his despair and
 freezeouts in the midst of torn undies and the "smell." Then "Ma" Toot
 began checking on his activities even though he was a model cadet. Missing
 parties in lieu of signing the sheet became a pastime especially after he lost
 his first law case, The Tech Paint Crew vs. Bucky.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Wally Woloshuck
 Class of 1978: Tom Hendry, George Relyea, Joe Arnold

Timothy Arnold Parker
 "P.X." "Fatty Farker"

Jacksonville, Fla.

Electrical Engineering - Air Science

Pvt. - 4, 2, 1; Cpl. - 3; JV Basketball - 2; 1975 Ring Designing
 Committee; Escort Committee - 2.

What can you say about a guy who starts off his senior year with six
 specials in three weeks, and an average of two demerits a day. He also had
 the pleasure of roaming with the Mad Italian, Stinky, Space Man, and Me.
 This wasn't enough to dampen Tim's spirit. He has also made it through
 four years as an EE under the RED COL. It's a small wonder Farker is still
 here.

But now, as he leaves Lexington, with her beautiful Sem. girls, nightly
 games of Nickel Ball, occasional PGA tournaments, and our night Football
 games in the courtyard. Fatty was the best QB we ever saw on the New
 Courtyard Gridiron. Keep swinging Tim, and the best of Luck.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Robert "Pinkie" Pinkerton
 Class of 1978: Johnathon Leban, Tom Reeder

George Daniel Penny

"D.P." "Danny" "Beechnut" "Golf Delta" "Copperhead"

Richmond, Virginia

History - Air Force

Pvt. 4, 3, 2, 1; Lacrosse - 4, 3, 2, 1; Tri-Capt. 1; Soak & Joke Club - 3, 2,
 1; Blue Team - 3; Pres. - 2, 1; Skoal Club - 2, 1; Pro Team; Hop Escort.

"D.P." is the perfect example of how the average, easy-going cadet
 spends his life at V.M.I. An average day for the kid would consist of one or
 two classes in the morning followed by plenty of 'rack' and 'X' checks in
 the afternoon. At night he would spend two to three hours on his favorite
 course during his four years at V.M.I. . . . T.V. 315.

Danny has accumulated a record of nine hats remembered by his B.R.'s.
 Even though a private at heart Dan could always cut a "fine figure" when
 he put his mind to it. However, Hop Weekends were the only time he puts
 his mind to it.

Undoubtedly, the greatest accomplishments the Kid made are the assets
 he will possess for the rest of his life. First of all Dan always was a great
 one for sports. His record for the Lacrosse will speak for itself. Second, and
 by far the greatest asset, is Butch. Ever since Corps Trip our third class
 year, Dan has been one of the happiest guys alive. Dan has been the best
 friend I've ever had.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Walt Chalkley
 Class of 1978: Jerry Harris

Samuel Wilbert Phillips III

"Wild Bull"

Richmond, Virginia

Chemistry - Air Force

Pvt. - 4, 3, 2, 1; Dean's List; Rat Basketball Manager - 4; Varsity
 Basketball Manager - 3; Ring Figure Committee - RDC Policy Committee;
 Cadet Waiter - 3; Young Republicans - 4; Rat Typist for "Cadet";
 "Analytical Chemist of the Year 1973-74"; Mononucleosis.

The average cadet enters VMI for one of two reasons: a academist; or the
 military. Bill came through the arch seeking a sheepskin and while in the
 process he had a wild time. Despite this fact he proved himself a capable
 cadet academically and in character.

His high affinity for Semites and various brews gave him many laughs as
 well as many a hangover.

Then, it was in our second class year that Bill really showed the kind of
 person he was. His grades showed himself not only as an academic but as a
 leader. He never said no to a favor and was unselfish to give his help to
 anyone, even if it meant many long hours in the labs. At Christmas Jackie
 came into his life, and he finally found his "girl".

Bill's unselfishness is unique, and he carried many a BR through many
 hardships. Thanks and good luck Bill.

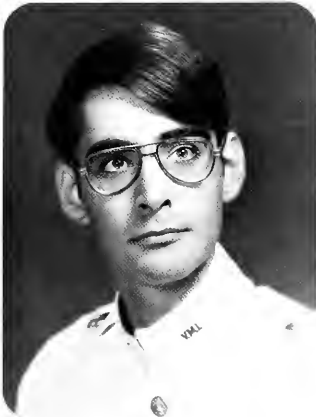
DYKES: Class of 1972: John Sovers
 Class of 1978: Bill Lowe



John Francis Pierce



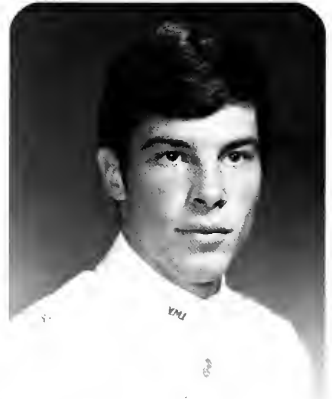
John Richard Plunkett, Jr.



David Joseph Powers



John Patrick Prior



Lane Anthony Pritchard



William Raymond Puttman, Jr.



Charles Louis Rahm, III



Thomas Scott Reeder

John Francis Pierce
 "J.F." "Little Tit" "Hot Lips"
 Northern Virginia
 Biology — AFROTC

Pvt. — 1, 2, 3, 4; Rangers — 3; Fencing — 4; Pre-med — 1; College Republicans — 1; Arnold Air — 1; Bowery Boys — 1; Civilian — 2.

"Lil Tit" came through the Arch with visions of stripes dancing through his head. As usual the "I" saw things differently, and L.T. found his sleeves slick during his second class year. Even so, those elusive stripes were in his eyes, and he kept grasping for them. Instead, John saw the light and decided to spend a little time on the outside as a human being, grasping for other more pleasurable things than stripes. Now he has returned to the "I", and he's grasping for things, and we all know what they are. Yes, John has led a life few cadets get a chance to try. He has lived as a cadet inside and a real person on the outside. Now his life is full of new ambitions, and he has found his place in the medical profession grasping pulses, blood pressures, and nurses. He may still be here for a while, a scared rat — first, but he'll come through in a pinch if you need him, and that's what a brother rat and friend is for. Keep grasping baby, it's within your reach at last.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Leo "Ox" Szydlowski
 Class of 1978: Larry "Smiley" Fluty

John R. Plunkett Jr.
 "Witz" "the Plunk"
 Marietta, Georgia

Economics — Army Infantry

Lieutenant — 1; Swimming — 4, 3, 2, 1; Co-Captain — 1; Water Polo — 4, 3, 2, 1; Cadet Assistant; Recondo; Bufu; Pervert Corner.

John came to VMI with mixed emotions about the whole deal, which at times rose to heights of uncertainty. However he weathered the storm quite well. John's rat year like that of so many others saw limited success academically, but all was not lost as he did well on the swim team while he also managed to get hoodwinked by a certain female. During his third class year he "hopped from the frying pan into the fire" as he changed majors from History to Economics. As it turned out he was quite at home in the "Root Cellar" and his work produced a fine academic record. Witz finishes up his final year as a swimming co-captain, Lt. stripes and of course, a 90 day hitch with Uncle Sam. Good luck brother rat.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Paul Dunn
 Class of 1978: John Tucker

David Joseph Powers
 "D.J." "Sidewinder" "Weed Hopper"
 Lynchburg, Virginia

Civil Engineering — Aerospace

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Dean's List; Ghetto; Hop and Floor Committee; Karate Club; Young Republicans; Newman Club; Posit Committee; ASCE.

"D.J." is probably best known for his persistence and quest for perfection. Only the best women, the best cars, and the best whiskey will do. Usually, however, the whiskey made up for the shortage of the first two items. Throughout his cadetship, "D.J." has preserved the age old VMI tradition of energy conservation. Although a large percentage of his cadetship was spent, "building up an energy reserve," "D.J." has kept his academics high. "D.J.'s" second class year was marked by a quest to find his "inner-self". This was a time of few words and many heavy thoughts. After being harassed to his senses, by his ever thoughtful BR's, "The Weed Hopper," found his hayrack a more comfortable place to meditate. At least this way he wouldn't keep falling out of his chair. Good luck in future endeavors Dave.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Geoff Bull
 Class of 1978: Joe Scioca

John Patrick Prior
 Walpole, Massachusetts

Electrical Engineering — Air Science

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Vice Chairman IEEE 74-75; Cadet Waiter; Plantation Boys Monogram Club; Letter Varsity Track; Arnold Air Society; Ghetto; 400D Club.

If anyone had told me what day V.M.I. was like I would have never come. It is really hard to believe that every day for four years could be so miserable. Why did I stay? I'm not sure. Maybe it is the friends you make, the Plantation boys, Fris and Gart. Or is it to say or see if you could put up with it, or maybe it is the feeling that someday all this misery, loneliness and hard work will pay off. I'm not sure what it really is, all I know is I stayed.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Steve Palmer
 Class of 1977: Eric Hutchings, Jim Anderson, John Willison
 Class of 1978: Chip Decarli, Tom Cook

Lane A. Pritchard
 "Pritch"

Economics — Civilian

Pvt. 4, 3, 2, 1; Indoor Track; Outdoor Track; Karate Club; Pyromaniac Club; Marija de Obarrio; New Aerobics Table.

To write about history is to try and relate experiences which never bare for the reader the meaning or the intensity that was realized by the individual who lived through them, thus to try to relate the history of a man in his four years at V.M.I. would do very little to present a picture of the real person.

In order to realize what has happened to Lane Pritchard in four years, one must first characterize him as a person. For Lane is a living history, he is a product of all that he has ever felt. Lane is a person marked by intensity and sensitivity. No matter what Lane has ever done it has always been with enthusiasm and energy. He has been a good friend to me and a real person; to say more would be superfluous.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Mike Praes
 Class of 1978: Bill Greig

William R. Puttman, Jr.
 "Putt"

Cincinnati, Ohio

History — Army Infantry

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Ghetto; Indoor Track — 3; Lacrosse — 4, 3, 2, 1; 1975 Ring Figure Committee; Young Republicans — 4, 3, 2; Intramural Football — 1; Chairman of the Board B.E.N. Enterprises.

Sincere thanks to my parents for their help and constant support.

"IT'S OVER, AND CAN'T BE HELPED,

And that's one consolation,

As they always says in Turkey,

Ven they cuts the wrong man's head off"

Charles Dickens

DYKES: Class of 1972: Doug Davenport
 Class of 1978: Brad Baker, Kevin Fay

Charles Louis Rahm III
 "Rusty" "Roger Ramjet" "Tweedle-Dee"
 Fairfax, Virginia

Electrical Engineering — Military Science

Pvt. 4, 3, 2, 1; Dean's List — 4, 3, 2, 1; Academically Distinguished; Who's Who; Varsity Debate — 3, 2, 1; J.V. Debate — 4; I.E.E.E. — 4, 3, 2, President — 1; Sigma-Pi-Sigma; I.R.C. — 3, 2, 1; The Zoo Tac. Stairs Delta Grub D.M.S.

What can you say about a red-headed Mick who has won Ac. stars for two years and has turned down rank at least three times? Rusty came to VMI claiming he had been B.R.F.'d before he was ever even a B.R.; and although he carefully oriented his military studies towards A.D.T., he was none the less designated a D.M.S. and has applied for an R.A. Rusty's devotion to his studies is exceeded only by his love of war-gaming. His greatest assets, however, have been his wry sense of humor and his firm belief that none of this has any lasting, harmful side-effects. This is one Red-head who is not dead — yet! All's well that ends well, and we are confident that Rusty will go far. Have fun, Ram, at Ft. Bragg and your Super Summer 75!

DYKES: Class of 1972: Bumby Collier, Stan Crane
 Class of 1978: Mark Seely, Kevin Callahan, A. Taylor Harvie

Thomas Scott Reeder
 "A.J." "Reeder-Rat"

Springfield, Virginia

Civil Engineering — Corps of Engineers

Pvt.; Col.; Color Sgt.; S-4 Sgt.; 1st Batt. Comdr.; Airborne School; Lacrosse — 4, 3, 2, 1; Young Republicans — 4, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club — 4, 2, 1; Bomb Staff — 4, 2, 1; Scuba Club — 4, 1; Firefighter — 2, 1; ASCE — 4, 3, 2, 1; DMS; 4-Year ROTC Scholarship; Dean's List.

T.S. came to VMI with a four year scholarship having never laid eyes upon this barren spectacle. Having spent his rat year in the rack, his third class year as a strack corporal, second class year as an even more strack regmtl sgt, and topping everything as a Batt Comdr. Academics were no obstacle for Reeder-Rat, for he has definitely proven himself in that area of his endeavors. One good thing about Tom was his level head and ability to be friendly to the grubbist grub, to the shiniest ranker. It is not often a Batt Comdr has the privilege to room in the heart of the ghetto, and this proves how easily he is to get along with.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Mike Kennedy
 Class of 1978: Clark Ridley



John Yulee Richardson, Jr.



Oscar White Richardson III



Albert Edward Richter III



Thomas Pennington Ridley II



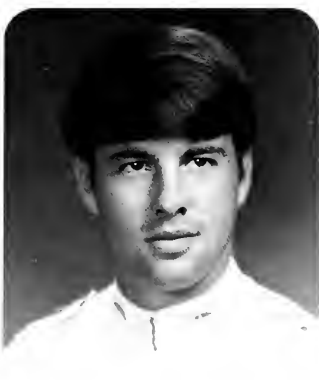
Leonard William Riedel, Jr.



Scott Owen Risser



Joseph John Rizzolo



Randolph Christian Robertson

John Yulee Richardson, Jr.
 "Y" "Yulee" "Brux" "Arms"
 Dinwiddie, Virginia
 Civil Engineering — 4-F

E. Co. Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; ASCE; Hop Committee; Cadet Waiter.

Yulee's attitude quickly deteriorated from August 19 when this country stud rolled on into VMI. Blind dates plagued him his rat year — especially Karen, who helped him earn his first 10-6-30. Third class year was going really well for our happy go lucky slob, when he took a dive from the rafters in the gym. This is kind of a sore subject for all of us, thanks to no help from the wizzard and his cronies. All kidding aside, John . . . with a girl like Karen to help you along and keep you straight, you can't lose. Good luck you two!!!!!! "In closing: to Mom, Dad, Branchie, Russell, Khacki, and the rest of the family who put up with my crap for 4 years because they loved me. To T.J., T.M., R.K., & A.P. and especially to Karen, who was always there when I needed her. Thank y'all! I love you!"

DYKES: Class of 1972: Bill Irby

Class of 1978: Paul Mitchell

Oh! and Joe Arnold Class of 1977

Oscar White Richardson III
 "Big Mama" "Ozzie"
 Virginia Beach, Virginia
 History

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Football — 4, 3, 2, 1; Monogram Club; Pre-Law Society; Posit Committee; Cadet Staff; Ghetto; Mountain Climbers; All-Star Main Sinks Baseball; 154 Debate Club; VMI Radical Society; West Plum Street Social and Athletic Club.

I would like to use this opportunity to thank my family and friends for the pain and happiness they have endured during my four years. VMI is a "special place". I've met people here who are just good folk and I wish them the best during their lives. In these four years I've spent most of it with a very beautiful woman, Cathy, and I know my feelings. Good luck to everyone with my best to T.P., Harry, Andy, Bongo, Allen, Jelly Bear, Ken, Bob, Ben, Dan, Tom, Bruce, Layton, Kimo, Tony, Mike, Pope Glasgow, Wade, Randy and everyone else especially Tom Schultze. Harley-Davidson, The Motorcycle.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Doug Nichols

Class of 1978: Hugh Crawford, Artie Wetter

Albert Edward Richter III
 "Ed" "Fast Ed" "Ric"
 El Paso, Texas

English — Army Infantry

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Glee Club — 4, 3, 2, 1; Gentleman Rankers Association — 1; TAC Trifling Team — 1; English Speaking Union — 1; Cadet Battery — 2; Rangers — 3, 2; Fencing Club — 1.

"Be cheerful, sir. Our revels are now ended. These our actors, as I foretold you, were all spirits, and are melted into air, into thin air. And, like the baseless fabric of this vision, the cloud-capped towers, the gorgeous palaces, the solemn temples, the great globe itself — Yea, all which it inherit — shall dissolve and, like this insubstantial pageant faded, leave not a rack behind. We are such stuff as dreams are made on, and our little life is rounded with sleep."

Shakespeare's "The Tempest" 11.147-158

DYKES: Class of 1972: F. Robert Wollard

Class of 1978: Ken Blythe, Bob Magnan

Thomas Pennington Ridley II
 "T.P." "Soaks" "Rid"

Tyler, Texas
 Economics

Pvt. — 4; Cpl. — 3; Sgt. — 2; Pvt. — 1; Ghetto; Varsity Baseball — 4, 3, 2, 1; Monogram Club; Assist. Mgr. P.X. — 2; Mgr. P.X. — 1; Young Republicans — 4, 3, 1; English Speaking Union; Bomb Staff; Soak and Joke Club; 154 Debate Team; Skool Club.

What can you say about a guy who turns down an application to Washington and Lee and decides on VMI? . . . Dumb, stubborn, drunk or what? Well this unfortunate soul was, you guessed it, ME! Yes I chose VMI and I still wonder why. But I came and tried to make the best of it and it looks like I might make it. I have had my ups and downs, plenty of good times and lots of good soaking during my stay at the big "I". Most of all I have come to know some of the greatest guys a person could ever desire to meet and I am thankful for that one thing. T.S., Ozzie, Gross-one, Harry, Ben, Costa, Chasmo, Dr. Jack, B.E., Rico, Latent, Jelly Bear, Fabian, Lance, Bongo and plenty more make up this astute list of dear friends and I'll always remember them. Now, I'm leaving, thank God, with a good future ahead of me. I guess I'll come back to see my brother graduate, but after that, I may never place my eyes on the "I" again, who knows and who cares!!!!

DYKES: Class of 1972: Jack Hornberger

Class of 1978: Eddie "Edro" Yost

Leonard William Riedel, Jr.
 "Len" "Hog Body" "Lips"
 New Orleans, Louisiana
 Biology — Air Science

Grubb Pvt. — 1, 2, 3, 4; Cadet Staff — 1, 2; Young Democrats — 1; Young Republicans — 2, 3, 4; Arnold Air Society — 4; Monogram Club — 2; Baseball — 1, 3, 4; Zoo — 4; Ghetto — 2, 3, 4; Shoot down — Broken Hearts Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Mail Assistant — 3, 4; Band Co. — 4; Mud slides — 4; Copy Editor 1975 Ring Figure Magazine; Professional Procrastinator (All My Life).

It's hard to believe that soon graduation will be a reality. For Len it wasn't easy. Through hard work and determination, Len beat the odds! He survived the Ratline, Break-out, conduct-pro, Col B, inspections, confinements, demerits, PT's, the Biology department, and ME as a roommate. Len, I will always remember the times we had steak and booze parties in the room, girls in barracks, our wrestling matches, your marathon fruitfully counting sessions; and most important of all, your devotion to the Ring Figure Magazine. I can't say that I have enjoyed VMI as much as you, but I am proud to be considered your friend and BR. Good luck in your future career as a zoomie and in your search for the "right" girl. PEACE!

DYKES: Class of 1973: Matt Tignor

Class of 1978: Bob Kirby, David Thacker, Dennis Long

Scott Owen Risser
 "Mudhut" "Stoopie" "Risso"
 Hershey, Pennsylvania
 History — Infantry

Young Democrats — 4, 3, 2, 1; President — 2, 1; BSU — 4, 3, 2, 1, Vice President — 2; CADET Staff — 4, 3, 2; Cpl., Sgt., Pvt.; Dean's List; Honors Candidate; Hop & Floor — 1; Plantation; Fire Fighters — 3; AFC — 4.

On August 17, 1971 Risso walked through Jackson Arch and became a Rat. He was not, however, the normal Rat. To him the Ratline was not a terrifying experience — it was one big laugh. Soon his reputation had spread and he was making command performances for the boys on the fifth stoop. Escape was found, however, in Dean's List furloughs. As No. 1 class clown, Risso was a success. He likes people and people like him. We will always remember him for his witty, satirical type of humor. Few people have walked away from him with a sad face after he mumbled a few words. In Risso we have found a friend, companion, and B.R. Good Luck, Brother — Thank you.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Bob Benham & Leo Seibert

Class of 1978: Jim Conrad & Russ Klicker

Joseph J. Rizzolo
 "JR"

Newark, New Jersey
 Chemistry — Army

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Dean's List; Ranger 3; ACS — 3, 2, 1; Young Republicans — 4.

Ranger!! This is Whiskey Bravo Zebra patrolling as head hanch of the New Jersey Spaghetti Benders and potential Johnny Weismueller. We will be coming upon a communist nest of radicals from Gobble-Land. Prepare bayonets to kill babies, smokers and sex preverts. Fall arrived with an anxious, but scared rat, ready to take over the Corps by storm. His qualifications as Recondo made him a likely choice for the Ranger Platoon. Social life took second place to his ambitions, but it took a loss of dreams before his academics rose to his true ability. Meaning well, but still hung is a shell of ideals and unrewarded integrity, Joe can be a leader in his field. As a dear friend whom I respect, I am assured of his added success if he really believes in himself. May God Bless You.

Bill

DYKES: Class of 1972: Bob Lynch

Class of 1978: Jeff Revercomb

Randolph Christian Robertson
 "Randy" "Random"

Saddle River, New Jersey
 Civil Engineer — Armor

Pvt. — 4, 1; Corporal — 3; Color Sgt. — 2; Soccer — 2, 3, 2, 1; Glee Club — 4, 3; ASCE; Monogram Club; Decadent Grotto; Recondo; All-Star Main Sinks Baseball.

Randy came here as the most recent of a long line of cadet Robertsons. His first two years were molded after the family formula for a success at VMI, pursuit of rank; and his last two after a formula of his own, pursuit of happiness. Thinking about Randy's cadetship brings back many nostalgic memories. Who can forget when, with a shout of "Where's my G-D-wallet," Randy stuck his hand through the third stoop sinks? Com'n Randy, it couldn't be in there. And did you hear about the time when Randy and two other phantoms of the night played baseball in the main sinks until the wee hours of the morning? Trying to condense four years of Randy's life into a paragraph is an impossible task. What more can be said about a man than he respected everyone and everyone respected him.

To my parents, family, and Rose, thank you for everything.

DYKES: Class of 1972: George Robbins

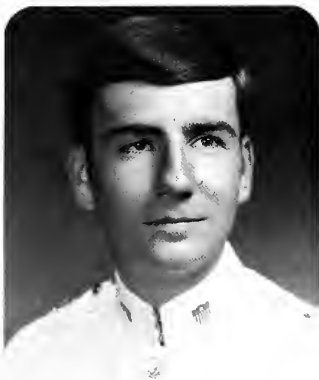
Class of 1978: Dave Strauss & Scott Putney



William Gilbert Robson



John Daniel Rothermel III



Todd Gardner Sain



Jon Louis Sastri



James Keith Schmitt



Daniel Chester Schultz



David Lynn Schuyler



Winfield Grant Scott III

William Gilbert Robson

"Squeek"

Midlothian, Virginia

Civil Engineering — Air Force

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Dean's List; ASCE; President of Special Student Society.

When Bill first came through Jackson Arch, as a Rat, he had only one thought on his mind — leaving V.M.I. Every year as Bill went on summer furlough he swore that he would not come back. But each August he returned, ready for the new semester.

His four years at the zoo have been memorable ones. "Squeek," started off his cadetship on the right foot — with mono. He spent his innumerable days in the 73's with Cool and Tony, constantly in heat, which explains his "A" in ME 402. Now he has concluded his stay at V.M.I., a BONA FIDE civil engineer. His motto — "Life is but an ambiguous path between two points, birth and death, with V.M.I. a mere point along that road." Good luck Squeek and Edith in all your future endeavors.

DYKES: Class of 1971: Emory Bava

Class of 1972: Dick Pitman

Class of 1978: Rene Bois, Bill Robertson

John Daniel Rothermel, III

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Biology — Armor

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Football — 4, 3, 2, 1; Dean's List.

I seldom if ever regret doing anything, even although I may be convinced that it was wrong. Once it is accomplished, I dismiss it from my mind. — H. L. Mencken

My friends I'll remember you always the rest will just be bad memories. See you in August.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Henry Bruno

Class of 1978: Ray Schaper, Matt Schell

Todd Gardner Sain

"Todd" "Toddy"

Lincolnwood, Illinois

Modern Languages — Army

Pvt. — 4; Cpl. — 3; Reg. S-5 Sgt. — 2; Reg. S-5 Capt. — 1; Chairman — TCFC — 3, 2; 1975 Activities Comm. — 3, 2; Board of Visitors P.R. Comm. — 2, 1; Cadet Staff — 1; Symposium Comm. — 2, 1; RDC — 1; Dean's List — 2, 1; Airborne Recon — 1; Army ROTC 4 Year Scholarship — DMS — 1; Bell Telephone Operators Union — 1; Recon Club; Soche; CCTB.

No doubt about it, Todd's cadetship was one success after another. Finishing his rat year with "FERGY RAT", he set sail in the sea of stripes, all the time keeping his eye on Reg. S-5. With his subsequent years came more responsibility, not only through stripes, but with his dedication to the class. He was serious in all endeavors (at times too serious), but always striving for excellence. Todd will be remembered as an appreciated friend whose help was always present; as a true cadet and gentleman whose strong character and fortitude governed his personal policy of setting high goals and achieving them. By the way, Todd: HAVE A GREAT CHICAGO!

DYKES: Class of 1972: Robert T. Ferguson III

Class of 1978: William H. Atwill, Jr.

Jon Louis Sastri

"SaS" "Tree" "Wop"

New York City, New York

Physics — Air Force

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Varsity Cross Country; Indoor & Outdoor Track — 4, 3; Fire Fighters — 2, 1; Society of Physics Students — 4, 2, Sec. Treas. — 1; President's Sports Award; Varsity Quantum Team.

"Tree" came to VMI from NYC expecting much excitement. While here he has encountered many exploits, such as narrow escapes at Southern Sem., collisions with screen windows, and certain encounters with members of the faculty in Mallory Hall. Being a Physics major, Jon was shown the light by the "Cool One", "The Pud", "Gentlemen", and "The Tonka King". In the winter of our third class year a certain young lady entered his life. Realizing a good thing when he saw it, Jon now spends all of his time at Madison College. There is not much you can say for a person who has kept you in school except for "thanks", and I wish the best to him and Donna for a long happy life. An Air Force career seems to be in his future. "How is the Weather?"

DYKES: Class of 1972: Doug Pritchard

Class of 1978: Andy Mumma, Chip Jamerson

James Keith Schmitt

"J.K." "Jim"

St. Joseph, Missouri

Biology — Infantry

Pvt. — 4; Cpl. — 3; Sgt. — 2; Bn. S-3 Lt. — 1; 1975 Ring Design Committee; Airborne School; Rangers; Aggressors; Fencing Team; Hop and Floor Comm.; Bell Telephone Operators Union; Dean's List.

... And then came Jim! From the plains of Missouri, "J.K." arrived at the big "I". While everyone else in those hot August days wondered what Mother Institute held in store for us, in Jim's case it was what he had in store for VMI.

Like the rest of his BR's, Jim had ambitions of high rank and high grades. Succeeding in his quest for stripes and considering he is a Biology major not on Ac-pro, one can be sure "J.K." reached his goals. We, his classmates will remember Jim as a sincere, hardworking BR, who spent Saturday nights studying Organic, while his buddies were tipping a few brews at the Paramount; who never stopped believing in the VMI system and what it stands for, even in the midst of today's liberalism and apathy; who's unselfishness and open mindedness was always present, exemplifying true BR spirit. Good-luck Jim, in all your endeavors.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Bill Daniel

Class of 1978: Dave Lucado and Joe Morelli

Daniel C. Schultz

"Dirty Dan"

Guantanamo Bay, Cuba

Chemistry — Air Force

Pvt. 4, 3, Sgt. — 2, Lt. — 1; Football, Varsity Football; "Member at Large" in the Republicans; Civil War Roundtable; President of the Escort Committee; Match Sec. for the V.M.I. Rugby Club; Scuba Club; 116 Club; Rum Truckers Society.

When "Dirty Dan" walked under Jackson Arch, most people wondered why Huck Finn and Mark Twain didn't come along ... we aren't really sure whether he was the son of Evie Knivel or Lloyd Bridges, but one thing was for sure, he never ceased to amaze us. From Catfish that eat Ducks of the top of rivers to plane trips with Go-Go Girls, Dan has lived life fully. Although his professional "singing career" is rather doubtful at this point, he has more than made his mark at numerous Rugby parties and has crowned more than his share of Rugby Queens.

We don't know where Dan wants to go, but we know that wherever it is, he'll make it. V.M.I., The Ruggers, and your BR's will miss you Dan, as we know we're saying good-bye to the best there is.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Larry R. Jefferson

Class of 1978: Martin Welsh

David Lynn Schuyler

"Uncle Dave" "Skiler"

Roanoke, Virginia

History — Artillery

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Dean's List; Secretary-Treasurer Civil War Roundtable; Firefighters; Scouts Club; BSU; Tub Club Cadet-in-Charge; Tennis; Rat-JV Football — 4, 3, 2.

From the star city of Roanoke, "Uncle Dave" rolled into VMI. Living in the Ghetto, he found that there was more than studying. Throughout the next two years, he and his roommates, A.B. Some, Fleabag, E.E. and Nice Franks, found themselves involved in aquatic warfare with their neighbors. "The Big Porkers", Simbo, Lurch, Bernardo and Groomate, proved to be formidable opponents. Thanks to these struggles, they have accounted for three new floors in the barracks. In their first class year, "the Porkers," moved into another location, thus, the art of guerrilla-waterfare developed between the rooms. "Uncle Dave's" athletic career cannot be overlooked. After practicing football for three years on the sprint and streak units, he decided to retire and join the ranks of cadet waiters. At the Institute, "Uncle Dave" has found many friends whom he will always remember.

DYKES: Class of 1972: David Childers

Class of 1978: Bont Tulbert and Tommy Tanner

Winfield Grant Scott III

"Sugarbear"

Severna Park, Maryland

Civil Engineering — Military Science

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; BOMB (Layout Editor); 1975 Ring Figure Magazine; RDC; ASCE — 4, 3, 2, 1; Cadet Battery — 3, 2, 1; VMI Theatre — 4.

The Professor is my shepherd, I shall not study. He maketh me to lie down in the wee hours. His homework leadeth me through the stacks. He restoreth my apathy. He leadeth me in the path of knowledge for my own sake. I will fear plagiarism. The Professor is with me. His assignments and his staff they exploit me. He prepares a test for me in the presence of my classmates. He annoieth my head with trivia. Meanwhile, in my mug runneth over. Surely after many scrolls are published while he is at the HILL. He will wear the cloak of holy tenure forever.

DYKES: Class of 1972: S. E. Hively and R. W. Flowers

Class of 1978: F. B. Pohlke



James Carroll Seitz III



Gregory Scott Seldon



John West Sheffield III



Elbert Owen Shiflett, Jr.



John Harold Siemens



Arthur John Sigsbury, Jr.



Ralph Charles Simmons



Mark Vladimir Skuby

James Carroll Seitz III
 "Zitz" "Seats"
 Dallastown, Pennsylvania
 Biology — Air Force

Rugby Club; Rat Football; Wrestling; Corporal; Private; Hop and Floor Committee; Pervert Strip.

We are troubled on every side, yet are not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed. (The Bible) It was a long road of amazements, questions, changes, victories, defeats, and friendships neither time nor anything else combined could destroy. It was happiness and sadness. It was Ring Figure, Football, Rugby matches, and it was weekends heading up I-81 to Pennsylvania. Most of all it was a test. A test I can look back on and say I made it before and I know I can make it some more. Thanks to Mom and Dad for the inspiration and the chance to make these four years possible.
 DYKES: Class of 1972: Roger Lodi
 Class of 1978: James Cure

Gregory Scott Seldon
 "Easy"

Winchester, Virginia
 Civil Engineering — Military Science
 Pvt. — 1; FIP; Trainer — 4, 3, 2; Baseball — 3, 2, 1; ASCE; Monogram Club; Conduct Probation; Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

P.T.L.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Vernon Bietzel
 Class of 1978: Lance McMillan and Rick Powell

John West Sheffield III
 "Bimbo"

Americus, Georgia
 Electrical Engineering — Aerospace Science
 Pvt. — 4, Cpl. — 3, Sgt. — 2, 2nd Lt. — 1; Dean's List — 4, 3, 2; Academically Distinguished — 4, 3, 2; Air Force Scholarship — 2, 1; Alcoa Foundation Scholarship — 1; Football Scholarship — 4; Rat Football — 4; Sigma Pi Sigma Physics Honor Society; IEEE; Military Engineering Award — 2; Chemical Rubber Co. Engineering Award — 2; VMI Amateur Radio Club; Aquatic Warfare Club — 4, 3, 2, 1.

An incorrigible love for playing in water, plus an uncommon ability for keeping out of trouble is a normal first impression of "Bimbo". He is a VMI-bred existentialist who is ready to move on. Believing that through hindsight VMI life be put into a realistic perspective.

DYKES: Class of 1972: "Fast Ed" Blair, Rooster Westbrook, Kevin Daigh, Dan Bond and Worth Roberts
 Class of 1978: Bob Fricke

Elbert Owen Shifflett Jr.
 "Elmo" "Mo" "Bert"

Civil Engineering — Military Science
 Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Ghetto — 3, 2, 1; Lacrosse — 4, 3, 1; RDC — 1; ASCE; Im. Handball — 2; Im. Basketball — 2; Young Republicans — 4, 3, 2; Member of Who's He; President of B.E.N. Enterprises.

As you look back through the 4 years spent at VMI you don't know whether to laugh or cry. I would never go through it again for a million dollars. Appreciation goes to my parents and friends for their support through the rough times.

DYKES: Class of 1972: M. L. Fielder
 Class of 1978: John Eband and Jay Massad

John Harold Siemens
 "Monkeybody" "Monk"

Civil Engineering — Aerospace Science
 Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Sport Parachute Club — 3, 2; Summer School — 4, 3, 2.

First there was fire, then there was the wheel, then there was "Monk", and after that, the wheel was never the same. It squealed, burned rubber, and generally created a public nuisance, not to mention the noise. John owns a 1966 mint condition, wide treaded, suped-up, color-me-gone Mustang. He has spent most of his summers in Summer School, tinkering with his wheels and testing his innovations at the B.V., Kenny Burger. Ask him about his famous Ice Cream Wheelie.

Basically, John is a first class private grub, who has worked very hard to gain his coveted grub status. (He was offered Sgt., but turned down the shiny chevrons for his "no-glare shoes". John's warm smile and long California surfer hair has won him many friends and a few country hearts (he likes country girls). His drive to keep on has kept him on. So, keep on, keeping on, John.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Jon DiMarco
 Class of 1978: Mike Palmer and Bob Simpson

Arthur John Sigsbury, Jr.
 "Sigs" "J" "Siggy" "Berry"

Toms River, New Jersey
 Biology — Military Science — Armor

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Dean's List; WLUR Radio Club; Run For Your Life; Tankers.

"Siggy" is our illustrious Brother Rat whose cadetship has been filled with excitement, fast action, confinement and, last but not least, boredom. From August 19, 1971 when we became rats, his skill for doing the unexpected quickly, and getting caught, has fascinated us. In all untimely events, we have never seen him shy away from the consequences. His unending stoical attitude has brought him our respect and made him popular.

He enjoyed his rat year, and the antics of Room 454, probably because he didn't know any better. Now he knows better but that has not changed him a bit.

"Sigs" has high hopes for the future. With his determination we are sure he will meet his goals. Good Luck, Sigs.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Jerry Aveta
 Class of 1978: Scott Konkus

Ralph Charles Simmons
 "Mingo" "Samuria"

Petersburg, Virginia
 Civil Engineering — Air Force

Varsity Swimming — 4, 3, 2, 1; Swimming Team Co-Captain — 1; Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Monogram Club — 4, 3, 2, 1; President of the No. 1 Club — 4; ASCE — 4, 3, 2, 1; "Howsit" Club; Bank Americard; Carol!

Being an, "Army Brat," Ralph had the dilemma of choosing between West Point and the Virginia Military Institute. Unfortunately, he chose the lesser (?) of the two evils. Through his determination and his parents undying inspiration he kept up his grades. Swimming and a certain local chick named Carol from Radford College have taken most of his time. His school spirit and competitiveness has given him co-captain of the swimming team and promoted enthusiasm and admiration among the members of B.V.'s Brentwood Swim Club during the summer of '74. He received such a dark tan that they made him sit in the back of the Corps' trip bus. With Ralph's friendliness and optimistic outlook on life, he'll succeed in the future and I wish him the best of luck.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Lou Pappas
 Class of 1978: Nelson Curtis

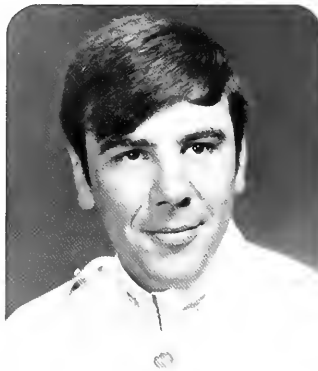
Mark Vladimir Skuby
 "Scoob"

Springfield, Virginia
 Civil Engineering — Air Force

Pvt. — 4; Cpl. — 3; Sgt. — 2; 2nd Lt. — 1; Glee Club President; Armed Forces Club — 4; Cadet Program Board Bowling Tournament Champion; American Society of Civil Engineers.

The kid from Springfield came to VMI expecting a good college life, but instead got the full four year treatment. However, Scoob seems to have weathered it without too many complaints or permanent damage. Even after earning the reputation of having the longest hair in his Rat Cadre Squad, he went on to become Corporal, Sergeant, and finally a Lieutenant with a sabre. Among these other sundry activities we must add his loyalty and work for the Glee Club. As a roommate he was always congenial when awake, and hell when he was asleep. But anyway we wish Scoob the best of luck as a Civil Engineer in the Air Force and no, Skuby, the roofs are not on fire!

DYKES: Class of 1972: Harold Platt
 Class of 1978: Bruce Wallis



Taylor Ashby Slate



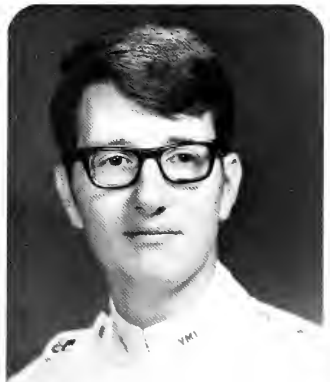
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Charles Richard Smart



Ellett Morton Smith



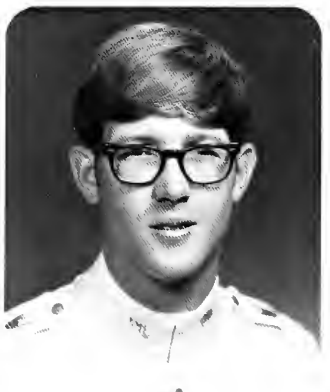
Michael Lawrence Smith



Michael Lodington Soares



John Michael Soukup



Edwin Earl Spain III

Taylor Ashby Slate
 "Slatebody" "Mountain Man"
 Alexandria, Virginia

Civil Engineering — Air Force R.O.T.C.

Pvt. — 4, 3, 1; Sgt. — 2; Rifle Team — 4, 3, 2; BOMB Staff — 4, 3, 2; Editor — 1; Dean's List — 4; Arnold Air Society — 3, 2, 1; Who's Who; DAS.

It took Taylor 4 years to decide just what type of a cadet to be. In his first three years he fluctuated from shiny rat (with fire-polished shoes) to a partially unshined Pvt., to a partially shined Sgt. As a First Classman, he decided that the only way to go was Grub, first class. The most consistent thing about Taylor was the way he managed his time: All free time in the rack, and all study time in the Bomb Room (making bombs and playing cards). As far as academics went, he did the minimal amount of work for whatever he could get. There wasn't one situation he couldn't handle, (or get into) one assignment he couldn't put off until the last night and still get done, or one girl he couldn't ... He's just T.A.S. in more ways than one!

DYKES: Class of 1972: Rick Hack

Class of 1978: Dave Gordon

Otho Preston Sloan, III

"O.P." "Pres"

Portsmouth, Virginia

Biology — Armor

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Ghetto — 2, 1; Plantation — 2, 1; Jury Member Ghetto Court; Hog Shaven Club; Bike Club; Hunting and Fishing Club.

Sometimes you dream,

Sometimes it seems

There nothing there

at all.

You just seem older

than yesterday,

And you're waiting

for tomorrow to call.

Elton John

THANKS TO MOM AND DAD.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Jack Freeman

Class of 1978: Stanly Wolchuck

Charles Richard Smart
 "Chris" "Elliptical" "Fungae"
 Lexington, Virginia

Physics — Private Citizen (FA)

Grub Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Versity Swimming — 4, 3, 2, 1; Monogram Club — 3, 2, 1; SPS — 4, 3, 2, 1; president — 1; No. 1 Club; Ghetto — 4, 3, 2, 1; Doc Olds Fan Club; Gun Co.; BME; Academics Board — 4, 3, 2, 1; Jack Daniels and Water Club; Advanced Mudslinger.

On the 19th of August, the "elliptical man," started his long trip to VMI. This consisted of approximately a 500 yd. walk from Col. Charlie's house. "Better red than dead," gave up Kenny Burgers, white socks and PBR for his VMI education. Affectionately known as the "fungus amoungus," he set records for the number of afflictions endured by one body. Only Chris could brave frequent trips to Doc Olds, much less succumb to an operation and still come out alive. After offering Capt. Gray a cold one, Chris retreated to the pool and the subbasement of Mallory Hall to begin a quest for grad school. From eigenfunctions to back dives, Chris has done it all. Success is yours BR, best of luck in whatever you do.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Kurt Otto Renz

Class of 1978: Ron (Korny) Kohnhorst

Ellett Morton Smith

"El-Lett"

Martinsville, Virginia

Civil Engineer — U.S.M.C.

Pvt. — 4; Cpl. — 3; M/Sgt. — 2; Lt. — 1; Dean's List; Armed Forces Club; Rugby — 4; Firefighters; B.S.U.; I.R.C.; Civil War Roundtable; Cadet Waiters; Cheerleaders; Hop and Floor; Cadet Assistant; P.X.; 1975 Ring Figure Construction Committee.

The first thing that came to my mind when I saw Ellett was: "How did that squat get into Foxtrot?" But I was soon to find out that Ellett stood tall in those things that make someone a true person and brother rat. He was from the first, a valuable asset to both his company and his class. Quiet and unassuming, Ellett's opinions are respected and sought by all who know him.

A totally honest person, Ellett has rejected all forms of brown nosing usually attributed with one who does well as he does — He's a lieutenant, a successful PLC; and a consistent Dean's List student in C.E.

One of the most industrious people I have ever met (and one of the biggest chowhounds). Ellett can find nothing but success. Take care Todd.

DYKES: Class of 1972: J. B. Ashcraft

Class of 1978: Jack Barnhill, Alec Earle

Michael Lawrence Smith
 "Mike" "Hamster" "Smitty" "The Beak"
 Richmond, Virginia

History — Infantry

Pvt., Cpl., Sgt., Pvt.; Gentleman Ranker Society; Rangers — 2, 1; Sport Parachute Club — 3, 2, 1; Ring Figure Magazine and Construction Committees; English Speaking Union; Civil War Roundtable; PX Supper Club — 3, 2, 1.

Having accepted the fact that he will never again see Virginia as a British Crown Colony, Hamster has led a cadetship dedicated to the search for truth and idealism in the more sensational forms. His quest led him to seek the wisdom of Ernie our Rat year, and ever since his weekly pilgrimages to the Paramount with the gang have developed within Mike a sense of dignity amongst disgrace which has kept him in good form at VMI. From the solemn arches of W&L during Finals '73 to the horrors of the Westhampton Valkyries over Ring Figure, Michael has faced adversity and, bolstered by the spirit of the Rajputana Rifles, managed to keep smiling that crooked, fatalistic grin. It's the queen of darkness, pal.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Buzzy Chacey

Class of 1978: Bud Mayhew, Dave West

Michael Lodington Soares

North Chatham, New York

History — Armor

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Football Manager — 4, 3, 2; POV Club — 3, 2, 1; Homecoming Court — 1; Aerobics Table — 3, 2, 1; University Bus Club; Grand's Supper Club.

Most challenging course — Calculus

Most embarrassing experience — Ring Figure Hotel

Most responsible position — Section Marcher

Most intellectually stimulating — Military Science

Sobriquets — Rico, Senator, "Other thing" Old Man

Most efficient — Clean Underwear

Favorite Author — Thoreau

Favorite refresher — White Tavern Gin

College Honeys — Nancy, Pam, Kim, Prudy, Natalie

Pastime — Studying eyelids; blind dates

Worst experience — Summer Camp

Greatest annoyance — Torbett's teeth brushing

"Man is a pilable animal, a being who gets accustomed to everything."

Feodor Mikhailovich Dostoevski

DYKES: Class of 1971: Reid Dudley

Class of 1978: Greg Beck

John Michael Soukup

"Sookie"

Houston, Texas

Civil Engineering — Special Student

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Honor Court : 1; Rugby — 2, 1; Ghetto; Dean's List; ASCE; Rat Tutor; CE Cadet Assistant — 1.

Sookie's life at V.M.I., until this year, has been marked by temperance — from his love life to his use of shaving cream. He has been a great performer within the academic buildings as well as upon the rugby field. However, this Greek (via Houston) dancer has an Achilles' stomach when it comes to consuming the evil spirits and Cary Nation would truly be ashamed. In summary, Sook's cadetship has been marked by steadiness; in his work, his friendship and in his great love in life — to be able to read a good book upon his ranch porch, with a cup of java in hand and overseeing his cattle and his watermelon patch.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Henry Knick

Class of 1978: Bert Loflin, Tim DeSalvo

Edwin Earl Spain, III

"EE"

Richmond, Virginia

Electrical Engineering — Infantry

Pvt. — 4; Cpl. — 3; Sgt. — 2; 2nd Lt. — 1; Civil War Roundtable — 3; IEEE — 3; CPB — 3; CPB — 2; President CPB — 1; IEEE — 1.

From the time "EE" became a member of the Corps on August 19, 1972 he was determined to remain come hell or high water. All hell broke loose as "EE" was introduced to the EE curriculum and brother Bob's raiders. The next years saw the water rise and the emergence of the lake dwellers, Bimbo, Nardo, Lunch, and Groomate. With the help of Bag, Nice, Sum and Screechman the lake dwellers learned their lesson as 335 and 235 become recognized as national lakes. "EE" will long remember the Electrical Engineering crowd: Bang-Bank, Fris, JP, Cortney, Bimbo, Wormes, Lunch, Tom-Tom, Sex, Sudo, Fagsdale, Rusy, and of course the 3HBRS. Never to forget the CPB gang, the munchkins next door and Dave "EE" plans to depart the Big I ASAP. Thanks for your help the last 4 years, family.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Toni Sartiini

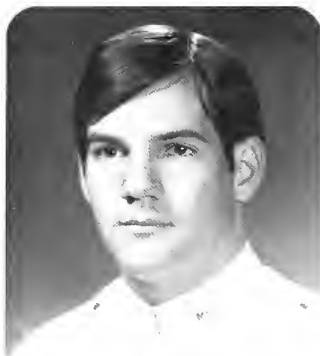
Class of 1978: David McCreedy



John Rawlington Stewart III



Gregory Howard Stultz



Perry Donald Stump, Jr.



Thomas Ralph Sutter



Ted Wilhelm Swenson



Kevin Martin Tamez



Gary John Taylor



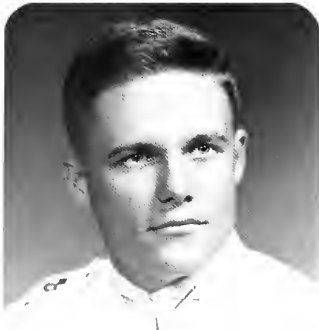
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William Terpeluk



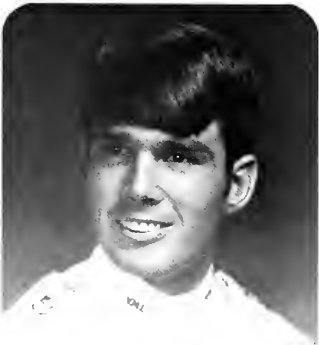
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Phillip Joseph Thorpe



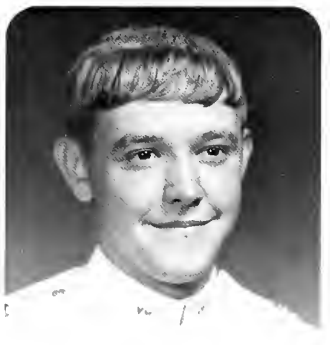
Bruce Elliott Torbett



Charles Boyd Tucker, Jr.



Walter Lowrie Tucker III



James Shafter Turpin, Jr.

Wyndham Bolling Temple

"Super Squat"
Civil Engineering - Military Science

4th - Civil War Roundtable, Militaria Society, ASCE; 3rd - CWR ASCE Sec. Treas., Cpl., Symposium Committee; 2nd - CWR, ASCE Vice Pres., 1st Sgt., Bn. Sgt.-Maj., Symposium Committee, Academic Self Study Committee, Tanker Plt., 1st - CWR Vice Pres., ASCE Pres., Charlie Co. Exec. Officer, Symposium Committee, Tanker Plt. Leader. All years a member of the "goon tunes".

Since Bo first paraded through Jackson Arch as a Rat, he's had an undeniable drive and ambition that has carried him far - and would have carried him farther if he'd only known when to use discretion. But then, that's Bo; we know that to have him as a friend means having a staunch ally in time of crisis, as well as having someone who'll argue for you, regardless of the cost to himself. Again that's Bo; he's never had much respect for authority coupled with incompetence.

In a lighter vein, we'll remember that Bo heads home for Richmond, his Baghdad-on-the-James, every chance he gets. His love for Virginia and the Lost Cause is a legend within barracks, if Jeb Stuart had never lived, Bo would fit the stereotype well, plumed hat and all. But never forget who won, Bo.

DYKES: Class of 1972: William K. Stephens III

Class of 1978: Jay Hutt

William Terpeluk

"Bill" "Terp" "Dumpy" "Terpeluke"
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Economics - Infantry

Pvt. - 4, 3, 2; DMG; Distinguished Graduate; Omnicron Delta Epsilon; Rangers - 3, 2.

Bill's career at V.M.I. has been the story of a lone cadet striving to succeed despite himself. Who else could get into so much trouble during his cadetship and still manage to graduate in three years with stars? The leaders of Dumpy's Raiders brought a little bit of Philadelphia's cultural vacuum to V.M.I. (remember his logically illogical arguments about almost everything?), and V.M.I., in turn, contributed to the education of the Philadelphia Cream Cheese. His Brother Rats showed Bill a new way to happiness through the fine art of partying. After a false start at New Year's, Bill was off on the wild wings of Bacchus by the time of his wedding. Nothing got in his way at V.M.I.: neither Rangers, nor grades, nor rifle rods. Having achieved his goals of graduation and marriage in record time, Bill is living testimony to the fact that if you try hard enough, you get what you deserve.

DYKES: Class of 1972: "Boonie" Meier

Michael Lee Thompson

"Mike"

Virginia Beach, Virginia

English - Artillery

Pvt. - 4; Cpl. - 3; 1st Sgt./Bn. Sgt. Major - 2; Reg. S-1; DMS; ROTC Scholarship; Dean's List; MBC; Timmins Society; E.S.U.; FIP; Cadet Battery; RECONDO; Aggressors.

Ever since Mike has darkened (lighted??) the big "I" with his presence, he has made himself felt whether as 1st ranking Cpl. or Regimental Adjutant his effect has been the same either abject terror or friendly comradie. As one of the few who enjoys comradie. As one of the few who enjoys the finer things which life offers, he generally has a check formation updown with a bottle of rare vintage. Mike was an indispensable member of the "select group" who enjoyed the dining facilities and cocktail lounge at Ft. Bragg. Who else, but Mike could bring the true meaning of Super Summer '74 (ie. a joke) when everyone considered it unspeskable. Good luck to a true Brother Rat and friend.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Ed Mazzanti

Class of 1978: Tim Berkheimer

Phillip Joseph Thorpe

"Phil"

Falls Church, Virginia

Economics - Infantry

Pvt. - 4, 2, 1; Fencing Team - 4, 2, 1; Foil Weapons Captain - 1; Scuba Club - 4; Cadet - 4; WLUR Radio Club - 2, 1; New Barracks Hockey Club; Mud Sliders Anonymous; Zoo Crew; PI Club.

After suffering through our Rat year, Phil decided to leave the Big "I" to see what college was like. After a year and a half at VCU he just couldn't take going to classes with students who wore halter tops. On March 10, 1973, Phil tested the cross country capabilities of his Datsun but only succeeded in getting a long rest and a pretty nurse. When he returned during his second class year he was faced with a myriad of academia, and was last seen sinking into the Root Celler. This BR has always been willing to help in anyway possible. Where ever he goes his good nature and strong determination will lead him to success in every endeavor.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Kenneth W. Wester

Class of 1978: Mark Engle

Bruce Elliott Torbett

"Buckwheat"

Wheeling, West Virginia

Economics - Armor

Pvt. - 4, 3, 1; Sgt. - 2; Football - 4, 3, 2, 1; Aerobics Table - 3, 2, 1; RDC Committee; Bill Cate Club; Peggy's Message; Brand's Supper Club.

He came to V.M.I. BECAUSE of football and successfully completed V.M.I. because of his sense of humor. B.E. has as many nicknames as he does positions on the football team. A man with a perpetual laugh who never gets excited over trivia which college burdens most at V.M.I. As a second classman he met his fate by becoming secretary for the Corps by establishing caustic correspondence with the Roanoke Times. But his fury was mitigated by a girl, "Then along comes Mary." As a first classman his schedule was determined at Virginia Tech. A man who contributed theories of "Frosting on the Pumpkin . . . Left." Best of luck in scatology!

DYKES: Class of 1972: Bill Schafer

Class of 1978: Ron Topp, Tim Gompers

Charles, Boyd Tucker, Jr.

Lovington, Virginia

Economics - Civilian

Pvt. 4, 3, 2, 1; Cross Country; Indoor Track; Outdoor Track; Rugby; Cadet Waiter.

Boyd came to V.M.I. with three prize possessions, a pair of track shoes, a pair of basketball shoes, and his "Playboy" calendar. Track and basketball in particular and sports in general have contributed to a coveted desire to be a coach. Boyd has had his ups and downs during his cadetship but he has always been strong on the rebound and with a few exceptions able to cash in on the free shots. Nelson County claims this country boy and being a country boy he has dealt a severe blow to the military aspects of V.M.I. Boyd just barely regards uniforms, disregards haircuts, and altogether scorns inspections. It is not often we can find a man who recognizes these things for the superficial things they are. Always willing to help, always willing to participate, not always willing to give you some of his hamburger, Boyd is a fine Brother Rat whether he intended to or not.

And what I'm trying to say

Is that nobody ever had a rainbow

Until he had the rain

DYKES: Class of 1972: Robert MacMeccan

Class of 1978: Gerry Spencer

Walter Lowrie Tucker III

"Tuck"

Lovington, Virginia

Economics - Artillery

Cadet Waiter; D.M.S.; Dean's List; Young Republicans; Pioneer Investment Club; Firefighters; OGA; Pvt. - 4, 3, 2, 1; Omnicron Delta Epsilon; Ghetto.

Lowrie came down from the hills of Nelson County with a number of misgivings about cadetship at V.M.I., but between womanizing and socializing he did have occasion to fit in a little study. Eight Dean's Lists and two academic stars later, Lowrie still hadn't resolved all those misgivings, but he had developed a healthy thirst for a party, a good feel for a woman, and a burning desire to make money . . . preferably lots of money.

With the exception of a few lingering detours, Madison College seems to have claimed most of Lowrie's attention. Not being one to regret the past he is the number one advocate of the old adage, "He who has never loved has never lived."

It's not likely that we will forget the human ladder of Delta Company Rat Training, so Lowrie here's wishing you luck you probably won't need.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Tom Simkins

Class of 1978: Clinton Franklin

James Shafter Turpin, Jr.

"Turp"

Richmond, Virginia

History - Army

Pvt., Cpl., Pvt.; Honors in History; Self-Study Committee; Bomb Staff, 4 Years, Rat Typist, Personnel Manager, Assistant Activities Editor, 1st Class Section Editor; THE CADET, Reporter, Political Columnist; Football Manager; Cadet Battery; Jackson's Battery; Intramural Boxing; Business Manager, 1975 Ring Figure Magazine; Banquet Chairman, 1975 Ring Figure; College Republicans; Fieldman School; Campus Campaign Coordinator; Coordinator of Volunteers 1974 Inaugural Ball; CRFV, Executive Director, Corresponding Secretary, Editor Newsletter; International Relations Club; Pre-Law Society; Four Year Army ROTC Scholarship; Who's Who.

Jim entered the Institute four years ago with a "No Slack" attitude only to end up his first class year with a lot of leeway. Throughout his cadetship, Jim has touched all aspects of cadet life . . . from that of a private, a ranker, a grub, a neck, and yet! A REPUBLICAN! And who could forget his famous, mad trips in the "Neck Mobile" (Collars UP). From Blacksburg to U.Va., Turp has politicized, socialized, and partied, in the glory of the GOP. So, to a best friend, roommate, and fellow Republican, Turp does well . . . 4 more years.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Mike Gauding

Class of 1978: Harry Siegfried, Anthony Moore



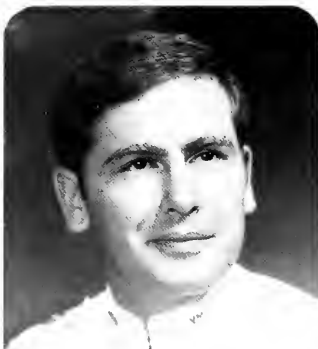
William Watts Turpin



Claude Benjamin Vanderberry



Joseph Robert Vermes



Larry Eugene Waks



Oliver Lawton Way



Reginald Avon Webb



John Haldane Witworth



Kevin Douglas Widner

William Watts Turpin
 "Turp" "Bill" "Wild" "Wad"

Athletic Council; Cheerleader — 1, 2; Hop Committee; Ghetto; Plantation; V.C.U.; Bridge Club; J&B Club; Pvt. — 1, 2, 3, 4.
 Bill came to VMI as a member of the Big Red Team. Lucky for them he remained on the roster for only one week. He became well known for his matchmaking ability, especially in the case of his sister and roommate/brother-in-law. After losing many a midnight contest to his roommate he gave up hope and pointed his Model T toward Sem. The Girls will really miss him, especially the cheerleaders who he spent many weekends with at away games. Bill has one advantage over the rest though, because he went to a real college for one semester. Modesty was not a strong trait.

That which has always been accepted by everyone, everywhere is almost certain to be false.

Paul Valery in TEL QUEL

DYKES: Class of 1972: John Fick
 Class of 1978: Bruce Wells

Claude Benjamin Vanderberry

"Ben" "Bunny"
 Norfolk, Virginia
 English — Armor

Pvt. — 1, 2, 3, 4; Ghetto; Wrestling — 1, 2, 3, 4; Lacrosse Club — 2, 3, 4; Pre-Law — 2, 1; Monogram Club; The Cadet Buss. Manager; Rugby Club; Vice-President RDC, Blue Team; 154 Debate Club; VMI Radical Society.

What do you say about a guy who drinks Schlitz and Bourbon, who drives up the coast of Virginia and Carolina looking for a good wave and a good woman. Ben says he has found neither but most of his friends disagree. Ben had the idea of only surfing and partying last summer, but the Army destroyed that. Ben takes everything easy, that is everything but partying. As he says, "I never go out and intentionally destroy myself, but you only go around once." If you remember the story of the less traveled road you'll remember Ben. For he is one of us that took that road and made it like a stretch of beach with nothing but; beer, women, waves, and one heck of a lot of good times.

DYKES: Class of 1978: John Freimuth
 Class of 1978: Scott Brewster, Jay Kinnier, Joe Arnold, Boog Powell

Joseph Robert Vermes

"Joe"
 Morrisville, Virginia
 Electrical Engineering

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; RDC; IEEE: No. 1 Club; Armed Forces Club.

Joe's freshman year was highlighted by barracks life; what else could you do as a member of Acc. Pro Team. Dazzled by the flair of cadet life or the beauty of the Sem. Queens, Joe's second year saw his grades dive and once again Summer School was the savior of the Maverick Kid. Our second class year saw the Maverick Kid get nailed for his Maverick and once again barracks life became a reality. Parking his Red Machine behind the Physics building gained him his ticket to the No. 1 Club, the summer caught Joe at Fort Dragg attending Super Summer '74. While there, a growth appeared on his right hand, the growth was later identified as a Schlitz can. Soon, NEB welcomed Joe and the crowd Porkfield, Lunch, Sex, EE, Sudo, Ram-Jet, Frog, JP, Fris, Tom-Tom, Hairy, Courtney, and the 3 HBR's back for the last time. To the old scared Rat who lived in the Zoo the best of luck in the future.

DYKES: Class of 1971: Robert Snyder
 Class of 1978: James Routson

Larry Eugene Waks

"Mutha Hunch" "Little Big Man"
 Potomac, Maryland
 History — Infantry; DMS

Pvt., Cpl., 1st Sgt., Pvt.; Cadet Battery — 4; Jackson's Battery — 4; Armed Forces Club — 4, 3, 2, 1; Civil War Roundtable — 4; Rat Training — 3; Aggressors — 2, 1; Paramount Inn Club: President — 4, 3, 2, 1.

Ever since Larry first came to Mother Institute, he has had but one goal in mind. His objective, was of course, an RA in infantry. The long hours spent at the Paramount wrapped around a tall Schlitz, evenings spent shooting baskets, and the endless study time used shooting the bull with his brother rats were but a mere interlude in the attaining of his primary ambition. In the years to come, when thousands more Keydets pass through these halls of academia, they will see a plaque erected in room 198 in honor of Larry. It will read: Never have so many spent so much time in one place, consumed so much beer, and had so much fun.

DYKES: Class of 1978: Paul Freeland

Oliver Lawton Way
 "Way" "Ollie" "O.L." "Waybury"
 Richmond, Virginia

Biology — Military Science — Artillery

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Dean's List; Ghetto Garbage; Reconco.
 "Waybury" is the King of grubs, and has reigned since the completion of our ratline. Since our arrival on August 19, 1971, he has managed to keep his name posted in every arch, on the bone sheets. He personally knows every officer on the TAC staff. Yet with all his extracurricular activities in the Commandant's office, he still had time to spend with his R.R.'s. His easy going attitude, great sense of humor, and class spirit have made him very popular. "Way" intends to go on to Dental school and obtain a degree in Dentistry. He has set his goals and we wish him the best of luck.

DYKES: Class of 1972: John Archer
 Class of 1978: T. A. J. McGreer

Reginald Avon Webb

"Virge" "Hagen"
 Natural Bridge, Virginia
 English — Aerospace Science

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Dean's List; Rat Basketball; Varsity Golf — 4, 3, 2, 1; Religious Council — 3, 2, 1; Class Historian; Who's Who.

A stone,
 A leaf,
 An unfound door . . .
 Now I must go
 I must go now

DYKES: Class of 1972: Rick Griffith
 Class of 1978: Jimmy Crawford, Dave Montgomery

John Haldane Whitworth

"Whit"
 Honor Court Vice President; Rat Football; Hop Committee; Ghetto; Plantation; Sgt. — 2; Pvt.
 A man of words and not of deeds is like a garden full of weeds.

B. Franklin
 DYKES: Class of 1972: Chris Arey
 Class of 1978: John Bowman and Dan Walrod

Kevin Douglas Widner

Civil Engineering — Military Science

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1.
 What a way to spend the best four years of your life!
 DYKES: Class of 1972: William H. Widner
 Class of 1978: R. L. Hammett



John Lutz Williamson



Robert Paul Winfree



William Edward Witherow



Charles David Wohlrab



Felix Harrison Wolkowitz



Michael Kimo Wong



Kent Patrick Wood



Michael McHenry Woodward

John Lutz Williamson
Richmond, Virginia
Languages

U.S. Marines, Corporal, Sergeant, First Lieutenant; Dean's List; Academically Distinguished; VMI Theatre; Timmons Society; CADET; English Speaking Union; Wrestling; Hop and Floor; Court of the Absurd; Rat Battalion Commander.

You do look, my son, in a moved sort,
As if you were dismayed. Be cheerful, sir.
Our revels now are ended. These our actors,
As I foretold you, were all spirits, and
Are melted into air, into thin air.
And like the baseless fabric of this vision,
The cloud-capped towers, the gorgeous palaces,
The solemn temples, the great globe itself —
Yea, all which it inherit — shall dissolve
And, like this insubstantial pageant faded,
Leave not a rack behind. We are such stuff
As dreams are made on, and our little life
Is rounded with a sleep.

The Tempest, Act IV, sc. i

DYKES: Class of 1972: Don McNath and Jim Barnes
Class of 1978: R. Eagle and T. Moriarty

Robert Paul Winfree
"Bob" "Flash"
Fairborn, Ohio

Civil Engineering — Air Force

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Scuba Club; ASCE — 3, 2, 1; VMI CADET — 1; VMI 'Annual' Summer School Club; Goshen Tubing Society; Who Cares in American Colleges and Universities; The Zoo; Five-Year Men Club; L.A. Studyroom Club.

Once upon a time, a very youthful and apprehensive boy entered Cocke Hall to matriculate into VMI. After signing in and being led off by one of the cadre, a misty-eyed glance cast over his shoulder verified his youthfulness, immaturity and reluctance to go. Wonder, doubt, and the thought "is it all worth it?" have entered his mind many times these past four years. But now a mature, confident and knowledgeable young man, eager to get on with a new life, emerges through Jackson Arch. One cannot help but detect a mist in his eyes as he glances over his shoulder towards the inscription: "You may be whatever you resolve to be."

DYKES: Class of 1972: Craig L. Taylor
Class of 1978: Les Shimanek

William Edward Witherow
"Bill"
Hopewell, Virginia

Civil Engineering — Armor

Pvt. — 4, 2, 1, Cpl. — 3; Dean's List; D.M.S.; ASCE — 1st Vice-President; Honor Court; Armed Forces Club; Young Republicans; "Porkers"; "Neff's Nerds"; Rat Battalion Staff — S2(7); State Cadetship.

Who else could snore with the ferocity of a roaring 747? As a highly scouted high school senior, Bill turned down "the Ivy League" to sign with the big "I" on a state cadetship. Leaving the big city of Hopewell where wine and women were plentiful to come to the quaintness of Lexington was at first hard to take, but Bill adjusted accordingly. Soon wine and women were again his as Bacardi's 151 and 98 lbs. of femininity named Renny entered his life. Well-roundedness seemed to be the essence of his VMI experience as he held his own with "knuckle-heads" as well as with the nymphs. His experiences traveled far beyond gate limits as his adventures took him from Madison and as far off as beautiful Kailua, Hawaii. As he walks out the arch he entered four years ago for the last time to enter the other jungles, we will surely find out how much his absence will mean to us. We love you, Bill!

DYKES: Class of 1972: Pete Leadbetter
Class of 1978: John Klag and Allen Moore

Charles David Wohlrab
"Chuck" "Mole" "Stalin"
Joliet, Illinois
History — Armor

Pvt. — 4, Cpl. — 3, Sgt. — 1; Astronomy Club — 1, 2, 3; Fire Fighters — 1, 2; Tanker Platoon — 1, 2; T.C. — 1; Militaria Society — 1, 2, 3, 4; Jackson's Battery — 1, 2, 3, 4; Tac Trifling Team — 1; Warmongers — 1, 2, 3, 4.

What can you say about a man who carried 3x5's in his hat as a Second Classman, whose ambition was to carry a sabre, and who had Snotty Ha-Has as a dyke? Through his four years here Chuck has shown a devotion to his duty as he saw it, to being the best armor student and in his war games. How could he possibly be normal after rooming with the Kung Foo?

Chuck's first class year brought clean sleeves, a rifle, and a First Class Private's Belt. It brought good things as well. How many of us can say we commanded a tank our senior year of college? This year, above all, however, has been spent in a search for the perfect woman — or anything else with two legs!

So now the Human Killing Machine prepares to leave the "I" forever, and drive off into the sunset in M-60. He carries now only good memories of VMI and his Tanker's Helmet. Well Done Old Mole!

DYKES: Class of 1972: E. M. A. (Bub) Robbins, Scot Haas
Class of 1978: Mark Lowe, Chuck Shank

Felix Harrison Wolkowitz
"Fe" "Hebe" "Wolko-Jew"
Glen Cove, New York

Pvt. — 4, Cpl. — 3, Sgt. — 2, 1st Lt. — 1; Ranger School; Jump School; ASCE; Band Company; Lacrosse — 4, 3, 2, 1; Zoo Crew; Triple Triumvirate.

On that fateful day in August 1971, "the Hebe" stepped from his New York bus and said, "This ain't toidy-toid street!" Unfortunately for the "I" he never left. For the next four years he fought a strenuous up hill battle with the Institute (his massive demerit record shows who won). However, his success in academics, military subjects, and other areas will more than qualify him to obtain his goal: your basic war pig. Take care and make the most of it.

... Thus to keep you true and faithful,
Thus to keep you brave and cheerful,
To yourselves and to your brothers,
And unto the God that made you.

(IOA Prayer)

DYKES: Class of 1972: John Martin
Class of 1978: Jan Bickley, Bruce Kay

Michael Kimo Wong
"Mo"
Kailua, Hawaii

English — Air Force

Pvt.; Varsity Baseball; Monogram Club Vice Pres.; Glee Club; The House; All-Southern Conference Baseball Team.

What can a "HAOLE" say about a Hawaiia who came all the way to the big "I"? He's one helluva roommate! His high spirit has inspired his teammates on "THE BIG RED MACHINE" to make VMI baseball one of the institute's most colorful athletic programs and a respected team in the Southern Conference. The fast hands which made Kimo famous have been clocked at 110. No wonder baseballs or girls didn't stand a chance once he caught them. Consequently, he made the All-Southern Conference Team for his "GOLDEN GLOVE" (or hands)? Known as "MR. HUSTLE," He hustled on the ball field, at Southern Sem., Madison, Hopewell, and all the other big-time colleges and cities.

Kimo, with your sense of humor, hustle, will to win, and B.A. in B.S. you'll succeed in life. Keep the faith bro!

To Lew, Betty, Bonny, Michelle, Gramps, Kim, and Sandy, MAHALO.
IMUA KAMEHAMEHA!

DYKES: Class of 1972: Kim McGrath
Class of 1978: Andre Gibson, Bill Grove

Kent Patrick Wood
"Woody" "K.P." "Woodrow"
Civil Engineering — Air Force

Pvt. — 4, Cpl. — 3, Sgt. — 2, 2nd Lt. — 1; Rat Basketball — 4; Dean's List; Academically Distinguished; Im. Basketball — 3, 2, 1; Im. Football — 1; ASCE; USAF ROTC Scholarship; DAS; DAG; Perverted Corner — 4, 1; Rum Truckers.

Fishing on the banks of a lazy river, or in front of a T.V. sipping on a coke and nibbling on a bag of Munchos', "Woody" is in paradise. "Woodrow" was always an energetic studier making the Dean's List 8 out of 8 times and finally becoming Academically Distinguished for his senior year. Everything seemed to come easy for the kid as he was a master at all he tried; sports, books and even ex-studies!!

Despite his quest for knowledge and academic excellence Woody was inseparable from his Hay, Movies, Good Magazines, and T.V., (Kojak, Mash, and Five-O were all check formations).

Being a Ma Ma's boy at heart, Kent found his way home to Lynchburg every free weekend possible using all those Dean's List days.

Quiet by nature, Woody could always come up with the right cut just to keep you straight. The Future looks bright for this top ranking C.E. and the Air Force surely has a gem. Best wishes from all that knew him and Woody "THANKS FOR THE WARNING."

DYKES: Class of 1972: Jerry Renfro
Class of 1978: Terry Dorn

Michael McHenry Woodward
"Bear"
Spottsylvania, Virginia

Biology — Air Force

Pvt. — 4, 3, 2, 1; Football — 4, 1; Track — 2, 1; Rugby — 2, 1; Society of Young Democrats — 2, 1, Vice President — 2, 1; Foreign Relations Club — 2; OGA — 1; Corps Council — 1; Posit Committee — 2, 1; Plantation — 2, 1; 1975 Policy Committee — 2; 400-Club Candidate — 1; F Troop — 4, 3, 2, 1; Perverted Corner — 2, 1; GRIB — 3.

Four years at VMI can wear hard on a man, particularly when his luck is as bad as Mike's has been. Aside from his academic plight in biology, Bear socialized his way into everyone's heart and onto conduct pro. And who else could go out for football after a two-year layoff, make the team, then break his hand? — it's typical!

Although never a ranker, Mike's leadership is proven by having been elected OGA and Corps Council representative. Always active in class and Plantation projects, one can indeed say that Bear's a big man who carries a lot of weight.

Time at VMI is often a drag, but because of the friendship we've found in Mike, I think I'll be sorry to see it all end. You've taught me what friendship really means, Woody — let the good times roll!

DYKES: Class of 1972: Butch Winstead
Class of 1978: Leonard Logon



Arthur Joseph Languedoc, Jr.



Kevin Vallee Wright

Arthur Joseph Languedoc, Jr.

"Art" "A.J." "Gool"

Physics - Air Force

Swimming Team - 4; Student Grotto - 3, 2; Society of Physics Students - 2, 1; Firefighters - 2; Young Republicans - 3; Number One Club - 2; Arnold Air Society - 4, 3, 2; Christian - 2, 1.

"Have Faith in God -" Mark 11:22

In my stay here I have learned Faith. To those whose friendship I have shared; Thank you.

DYKES: Class of 1972 - Chris Tompkins

Class of 1978 - Tom Reeder

Kevin Vallee Wright

"KV" "Lizard" "Snake"

Darien, Connecticut

Modern Languages - Infantry

Pvt., Cpl., Sgt., Pvt.; Gentleman Ranker Society; Rangers - 3, 2, 1; Sport Parachute Club - 3, 2, 1; Ring Figure Magazine; Construction Committees; CADET Staff; Who's Who.

With the personality of a brick and a lovably anti-social nature, Kevin dropped into our lives like a pile of cinder blocks. Four years of lost weekends at the Paramount have worn on the surf king from big, bad Darien. From the MS Department to Siggy's Fuehrerbunker, Lizard's cartoons and imitations have made 166 the target of the less forgiving of God's children. His experiences in the PX Supper Club and the William Terpeluk Party Society helped him weather life's misfortunes, like the Rat chair incident.

Then there's always Ring Figure . . .

But in the final analysis we have to say that, despite his frequent efforts to convince you of the opposite, Kevin remains 80% likable, if a bit batty.

DYKES: Class of 1972: Dwight Rowland

Class of 1978: John Hodges, Mark Hunter

Azzatallah Yavari

"Izzy"

Tehran, Iran

Civil Engineering - Imperial Iranian Navy

Isolation from the familiar, Language Problems

Explaining he was Persian not Arab,

Buying his first American Car, His Blue Mach I,

Summer School every summer.

Going to Navy Summer camp with

The VMI "attitude"

Getting commissioned in April of

His second class year, Camel Driving,

Find American Women loved his

Quiet, dark, Persian air.

A true friend, my brother,

Izzy.

John Leonard Young, III

"John" "J.L."

Norfolk, Virginia

Civil Engineering - Artillery

Bravo Company; Private - 4; Corporal - 3; Sergeant - 2; 1st Lieutenant - 1; 2nd Battalion S-5; Jackson's Battery - 3, 2; Fending - 4; Cadet Battery - 3, 2; Tanker Platoon - 1; DMS-DMG; ASCE - 3, 2, 1.

John is the kind of a guy who just can't get enough of marching, left flanking, column right'n, and all that good stuff. Old John has been on a continuous forward march since he came thru the arch. While holding on to his spit-shine rag, John grabbed his books and slide rule to earn his Dean's List days. Then he doubled time out of here for Mary Washington. John Wanted to jump from airplanes before "Super Summer 74" but Mother Nature figured that, being so clumsy, he would kill himself, so she arranged for a vaulting horse in the gym to trip him up. Hopefully, as an RA Engineer, he can get the flying ice-cream cone and Ranger Tab. Just remember and do what the Rangers say "The difficult we do immediately; the impossible takes a little longer."

DYKES: Class of 1972: William P. Thedford

Class of 1978: John K. Whitmer



Azzatallah Yavari



John Leonard Young III

IN MEMORIAM



George Thomas Trumbo II

In the summer of '73, our class, the class of '75 received news from which we still have not recovered. Our classmate, our brother, Tom Trumbo, died in a car accident.

Returning for the next academic year, our class came back with an empty feeling in our hearts, and an Institute that no longer knew Tom's yells, his tennis ability, or his friendship.

Now, two years later, when we come in from late study, we still miss Tom reading over his bible. To his Brother Rats, and all who knew him, Tom was more than a friend, he was a part of us. When he died a part of us died too. The Institute seems so much emptier without him. Tom was a once-in-a-lifetime experience. He left his impression on all he knew and implanted his spirit in everyone. It was not Tom's way to be average. He excelled at everything he attempted, and attempted everything he possibly could. It is indeed tragic that his life ended so abruptly; so pointlessly.

WE, the Class of 1975 mourn Tom's death as we would mourn the death of a brother, for Tom was more than a classmate, he was indeed our brother. We miss him.

FIRST CLASS INFORMALS



1. Al Koehler
2. Dennis Lewin





1. Tad MacGowan
2. Greg Stultz
3. John R. Moschetti
4. Squeak Robson
5. Elbert Shiflett
6. T. P. Ridley

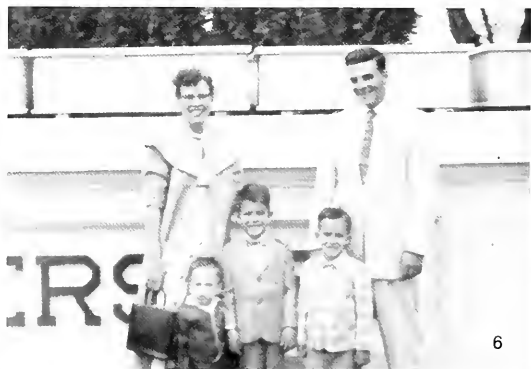
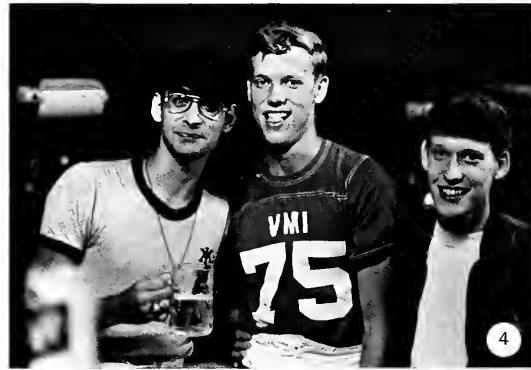
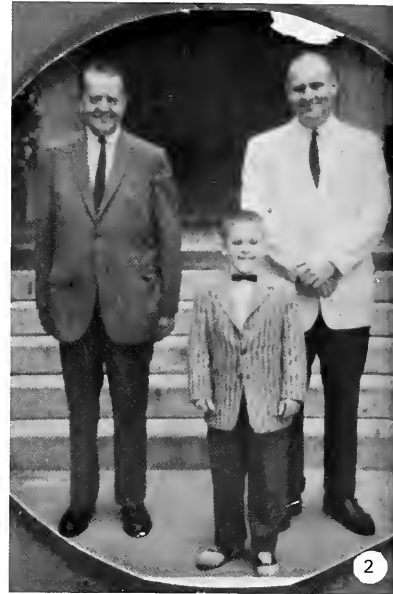


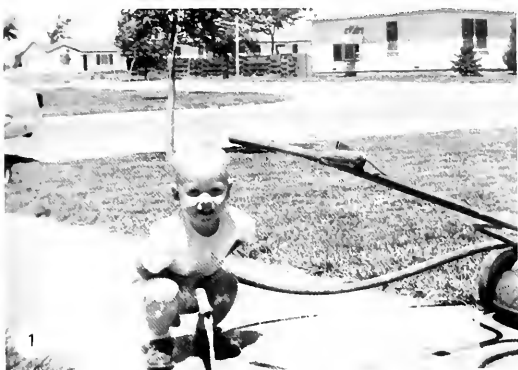
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5. Coleman Feller
6. Ralph Simmons

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3. Rick North
4. Charles J. Collins Jr.
5. M. Woodward
6. Jon L. Sastri

1. J. B. Hughes
2. Ken F. Gerard
3. Guy Conto
4. J. D. Greene
5. Eddie Spain



AIN'T REGULATION! AIN'T REGULATION!
THIS MILITARY pomp is KILLING ME! 2





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1. Chuck Wohlrab
2. T. M. Dashiell
3. Mike J. Monahan
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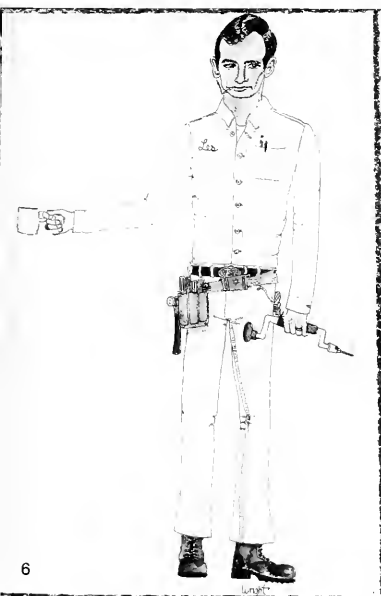




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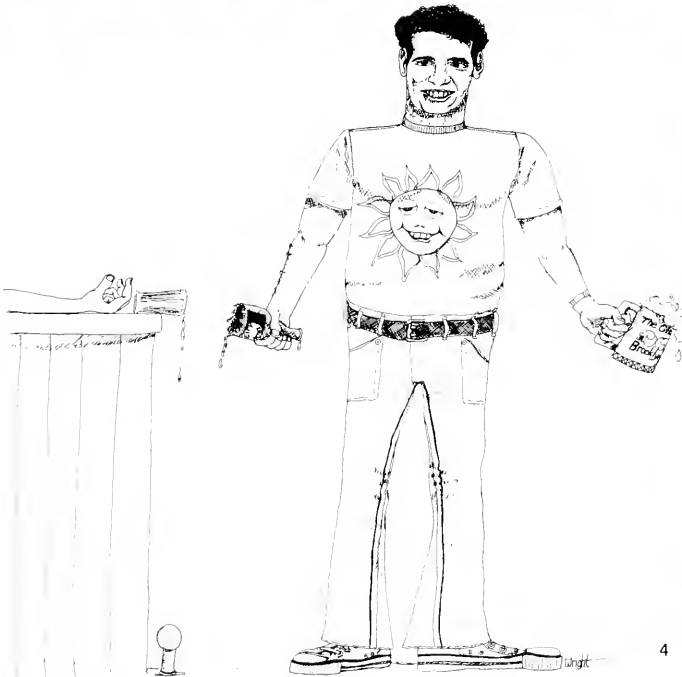
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5. Bill Kobus





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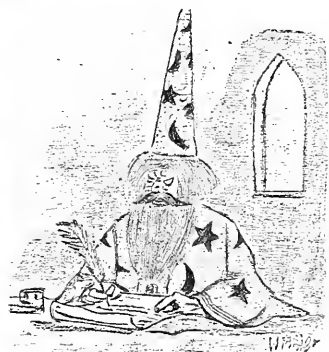
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4. W. Overton
5. Dan Schultz





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"...and, carefully following my own infallible formula, I won the experiment that should have resulted in gold. Such was the case, however, I am therefore forced to conclude that the m...sals purchased from you three days before Michaelmas last were defective and of inferior grade"

1. Don Bernadini
2. Scott Risser
3. Mark Skuby
4. John Offley
5. Joe Rizzilo
6. John Stewart



1. Mike Mulligan
2. Mike Hill
3. Bob Hughes
4. Dan Rothermel
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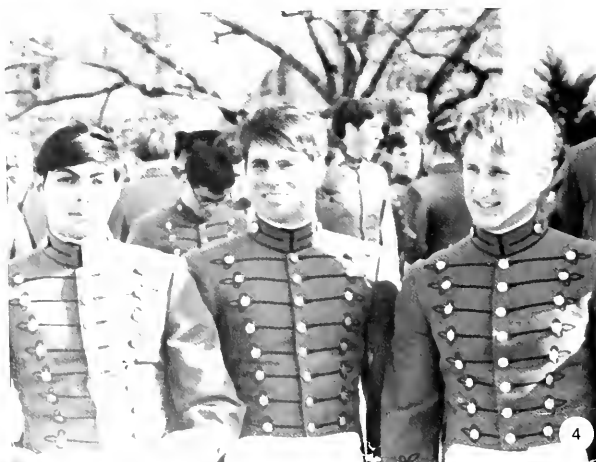
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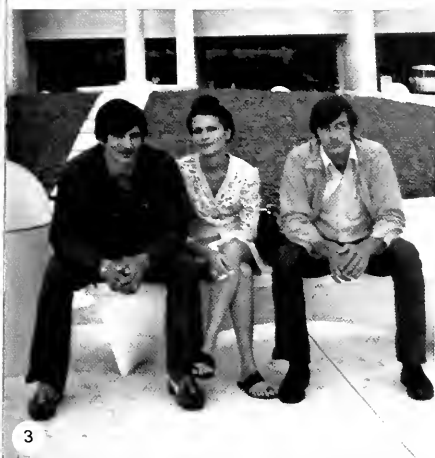




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4. M-T
5. V. Conner





1. Doug Harvey
2. K. Wright
3. J. Newcomer
4. A. Nunn
5. B. Cobb
6. K. Kavanaugh



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3. Cary Bradley
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5. Paul Gregory
6. T. M. Jones



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2. Gib Houser
3. Lane Prichard
4. Charlie Hoon
5. Taylor Slate



1. Phil Dove
2. Bob Taylor
3. Bill Kern
4. Dave Mund
5. Art Sigsbury



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3. John Plunkett
4. Mike Mueller
5. Dave Applin
6. John Prior

1. Randy Robertson
2. WC Hunter
3. Jim Schmidt
4. Bill Puttmann
5. R. Norman
6. Harry Broadus





1. Jay Jones
2. Mike Smith
3. Mackenzie-Graham
4. Rick Hening
5. Grant Scott



1. Dave Jensen
2. Darnell
3. Rick Davison
4. Dave Powers
5. Perry Stump



1. D. Baird
2. C. L. Rahm
3. Jerry DeWaters
4. Mike Joslyn
5. Doug Conte
6. John Logan





1. Bob Lane
2. Jeff Abrosham
3. John Crenshaw
4. John Maples
5. Phil Thorpe
6. Andy Dearman





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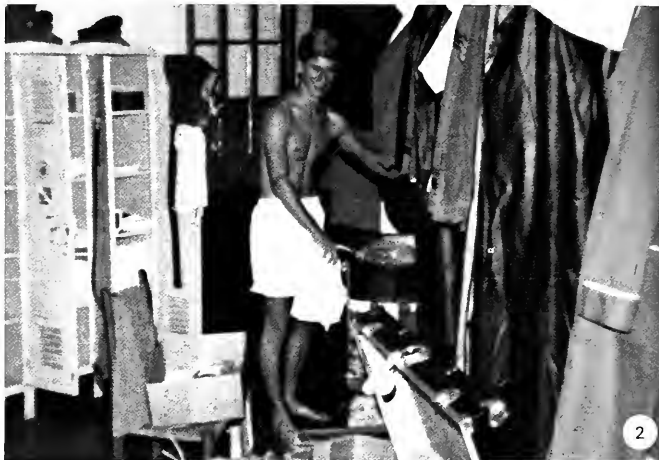
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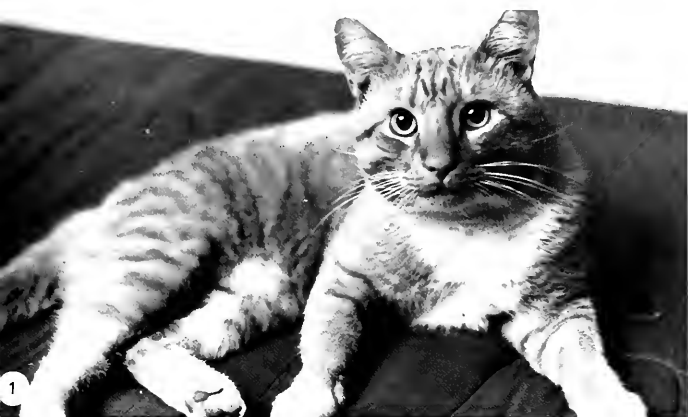
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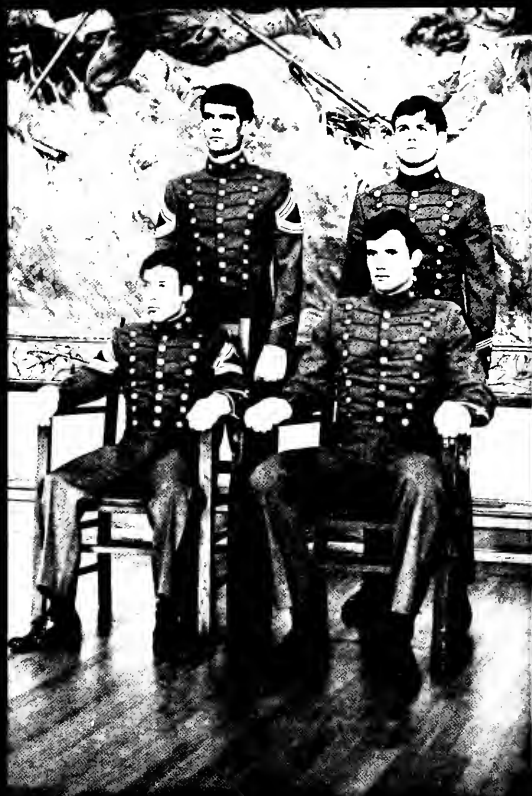


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The Honor Court



The foundation of the Honor System is the Honor Code. The purpose of the VMI Honor Code is to maintain the high standards traditionally attributed to the VMI man, by instilling in each cadet the desire to conduct himself according to the code of a gentleman. This simply means that a cadet does not *lie*, *cheat*, or *steal*, nor does he tolerate those who do. These three words — lie, cheat, and steal — need no explanation. Honor is a black and white proposition at VMI; you either told the truth, or you lied, you either cheated, or you did not cheat. There are no "degrees" of honor.

— from President of the Honor Court
speech to the Rat Class during
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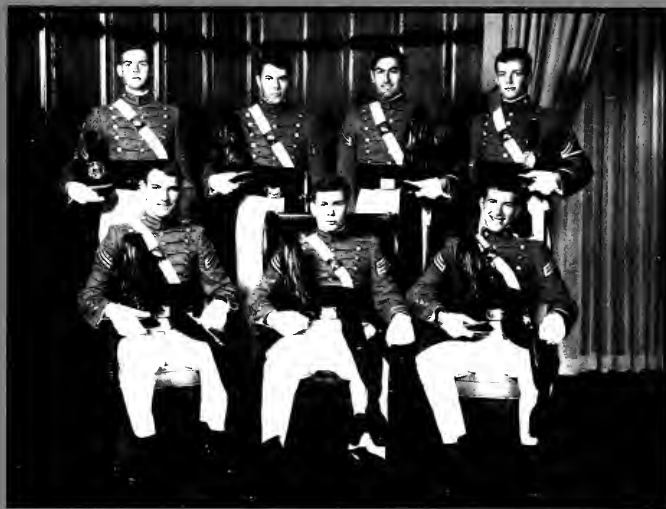
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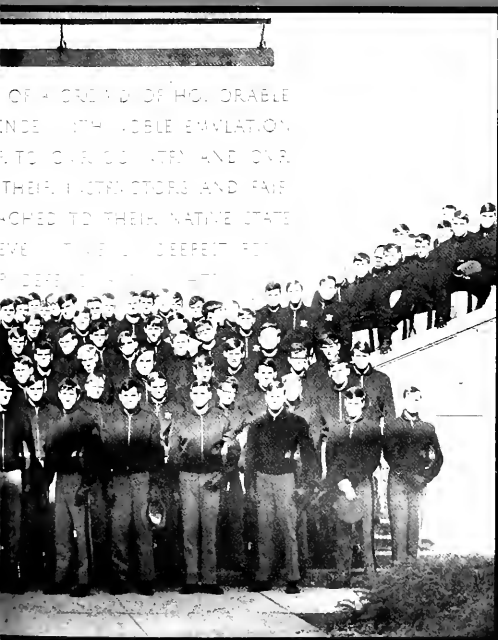
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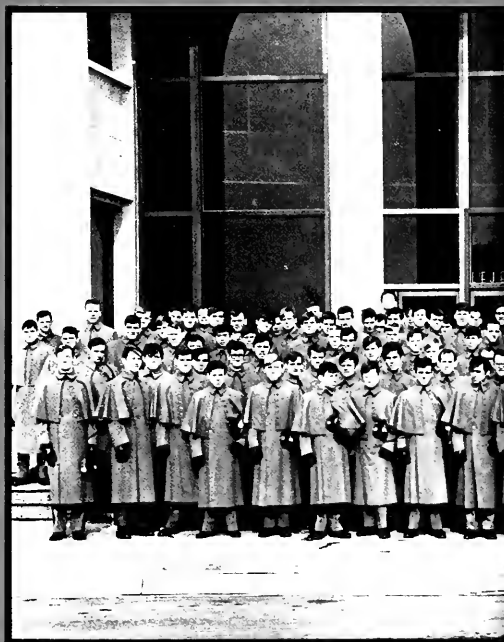




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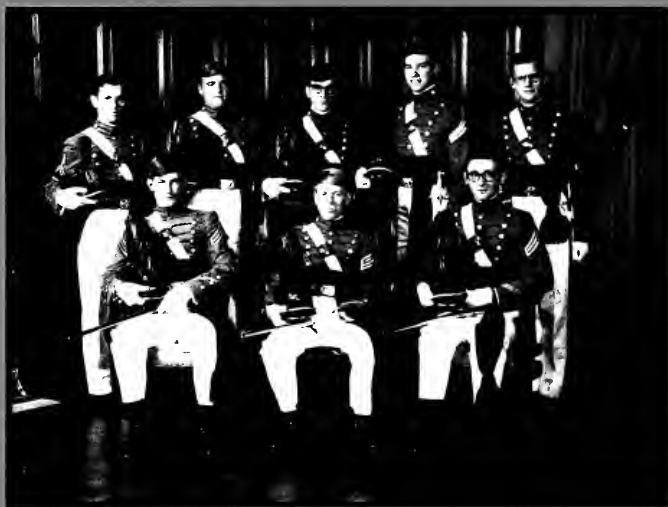
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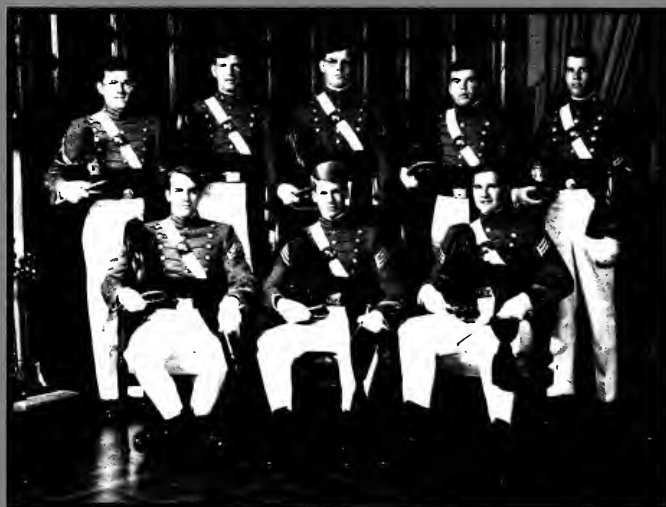
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The Student Government took on some new looks this year. Gone were many of the hard feelings that permeated the Corps during the last years. A different approach was taken in regards to the first class' attitude to the underclasses. Respect was the keynote of the President of the Corps Council, Reggie Webb, in his presentation to the Corps early in the year. Class privileges were more evenly distributed among each acknowledged class. This made for a more reasonable General Committee. The Class of 75 decided to retain the composition of the O.G.A. However, instead of using this potentially valuable organization in the discipline of the Rat Class, this year the O.G.A. was given important responsibilities and met the challenges of Institute living with straightforward and decisive actions. The Rat Disciplinary Committee (RDC) was reactivated to deal with the ratline. Despite having severe limitations placed on this organization by the Institute, the basic concepts of the new cadet system were retained.



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THE CLASS OF 1976



... As this story comes to a close, it is best that one review his past in order to prepare for the future and to learn from past mistakes.

The "Ring Figure Weekend" leaves memories that will last forever and ever. All who were there know that it was well worth the effort. One learns that a project such as this must be a "class effort" for "the man who takes too big gets choked." Cooperation is necessity because it is each man's duty to play his part and to do it well.

Life is a learning process where the same lesson will be taught again and again. Our next lesson will be the "Ratline" and to operate all functions in the barracks. The same problems from the past are expected to occur but they will be handled with better judgment. Our success is worth only what our past record can exemplify as signs of true leadership and authority.

Now is the time . . .

F. P. D., Jr.

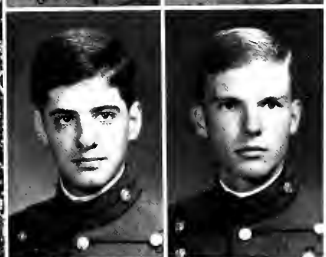




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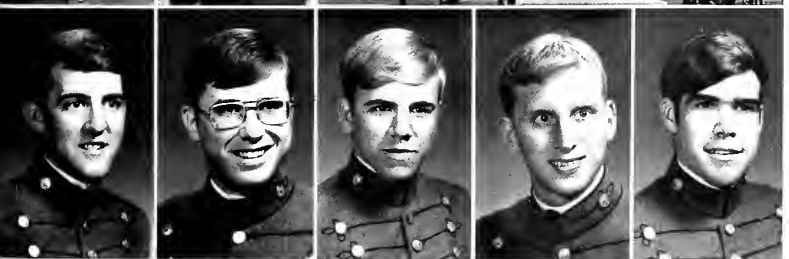
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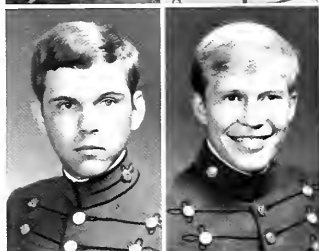


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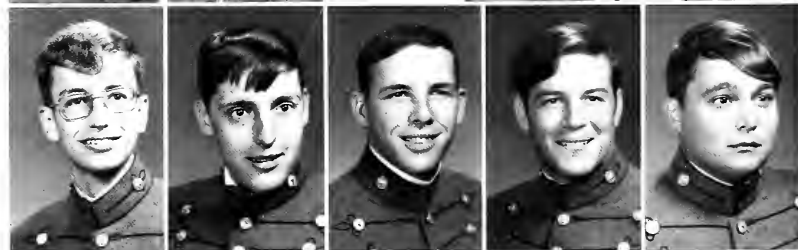
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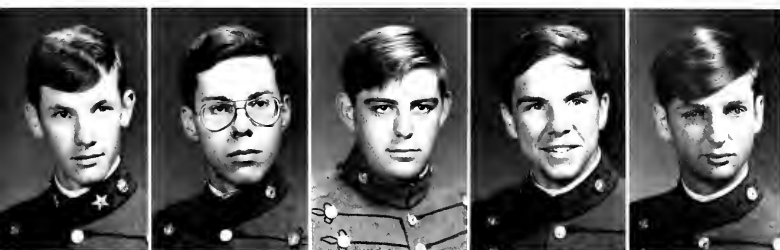


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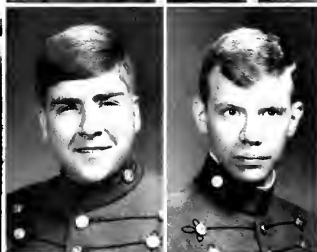
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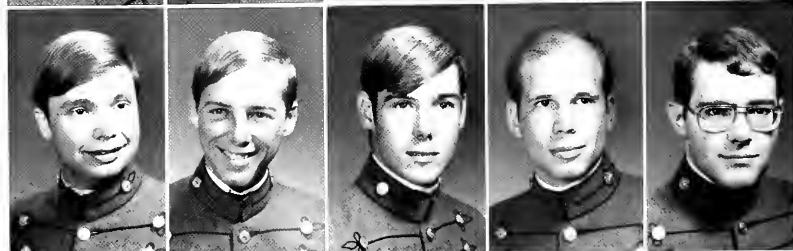
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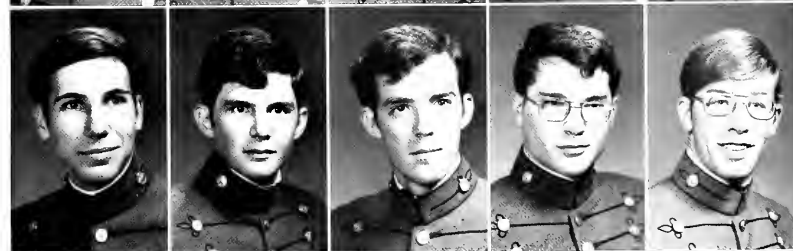
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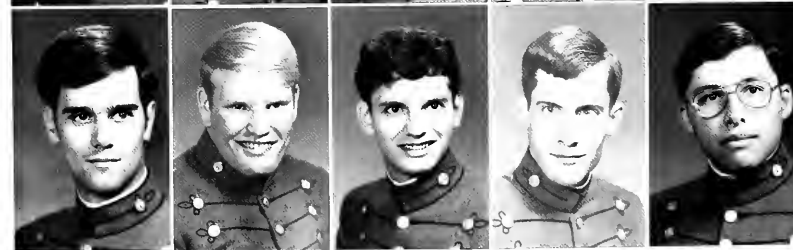
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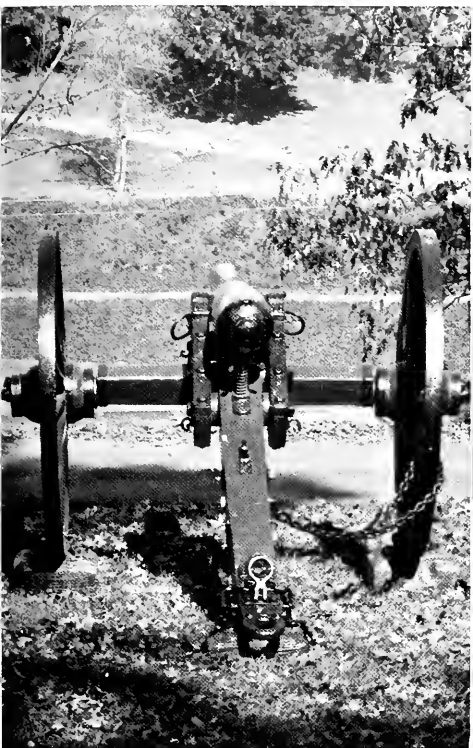


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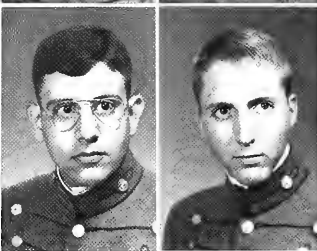




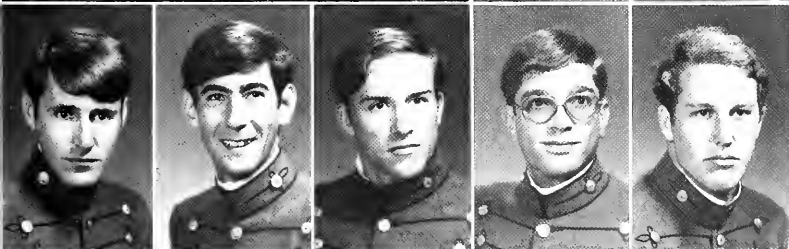
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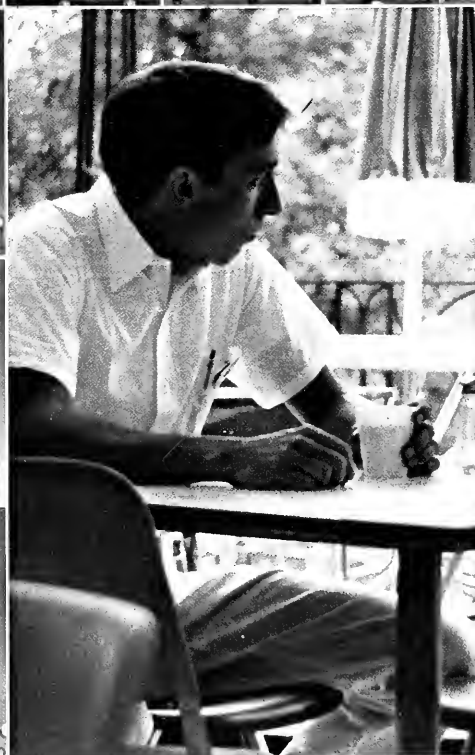
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The Class Of 1977

With the trails of the ratline behind us, we, the members of the class of 1977 looked forward to returning as members of the "Old Corps," last August. Many things have happened since this return. We have had the responsibility of enforcing the Ratline, and been forced to really learn the system of the Institute.

However, we have succeeded in a big way this year. The most important steps that our class have taken this year, deal with next year's celebration of Ring Figure — 1977 style.

But this year was not a bed of roses. We too, suffered from the usual trials of being the third class at VMI. One of the benefits of this year was the molding of friendships that will last a lifetime. These friendships were molded and tempered by the trials we faced. However most of us have survived the year and look to the future.

The future is what we live for at VMI. It not only holds Ring Figure, but the completion of our educations and the ecstasy that will come with Finals 77. Much lies between then and now. We must successfully run the barracks in two years. We must help our own dykes. But most of all we must continue to develop the character that establishes a man from the Virginia Military Institute.

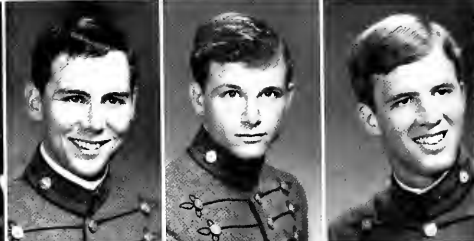
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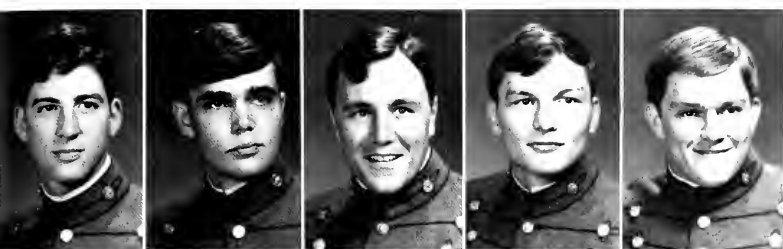


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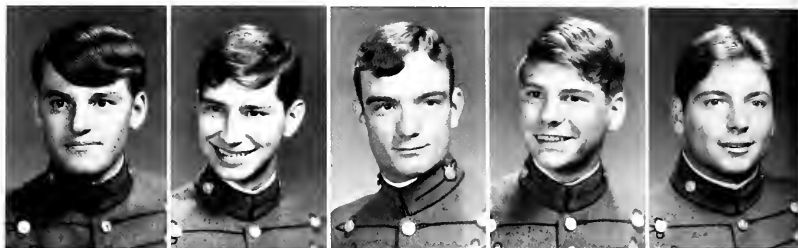


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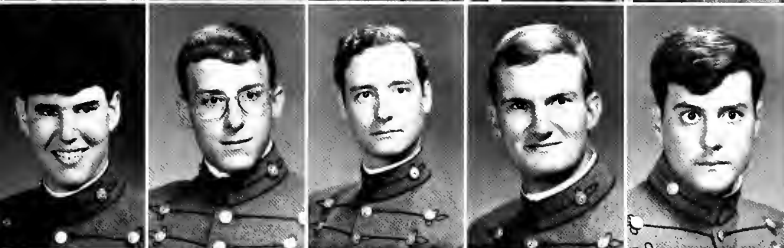


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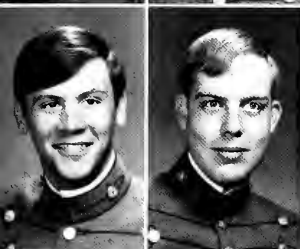




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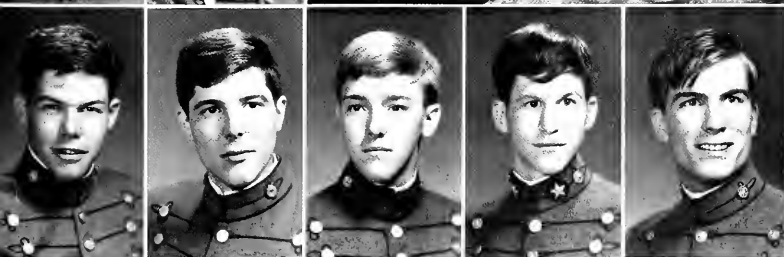
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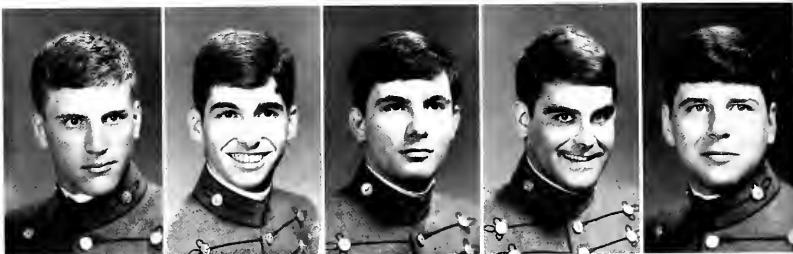


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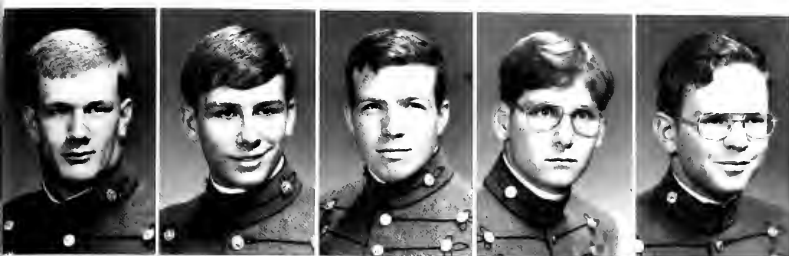


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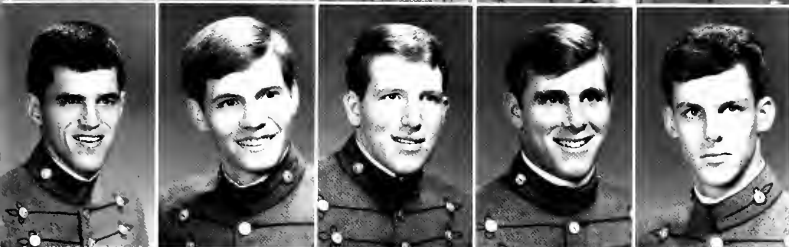


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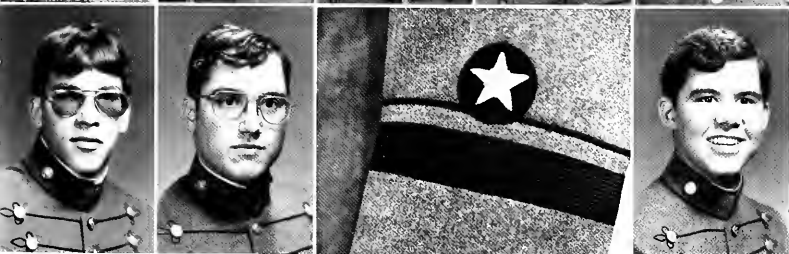




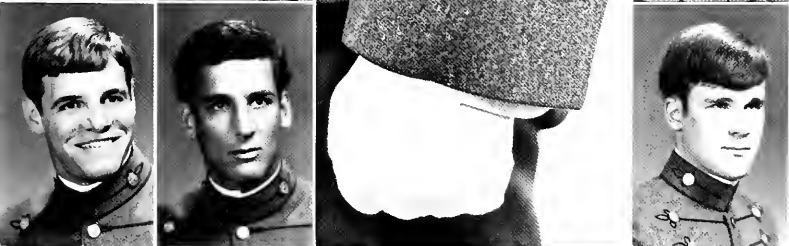
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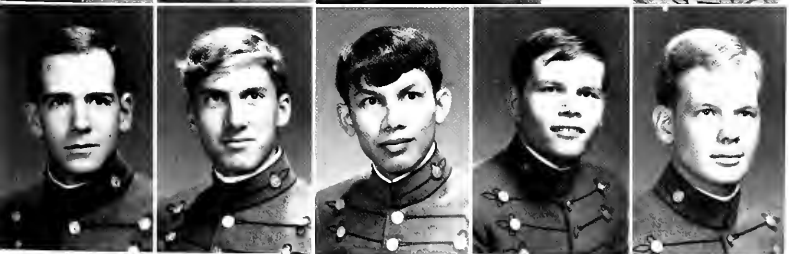
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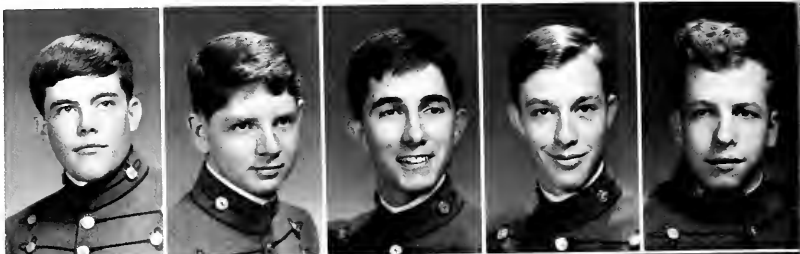


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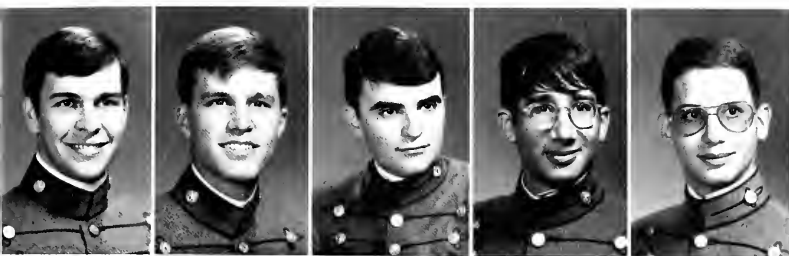


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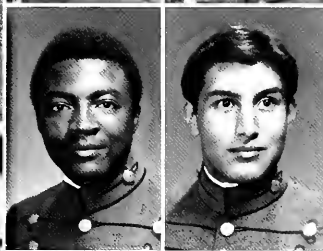




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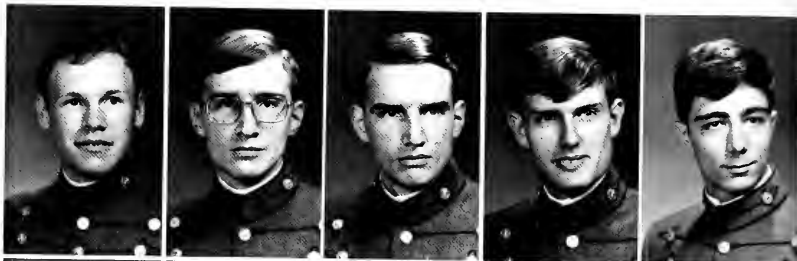


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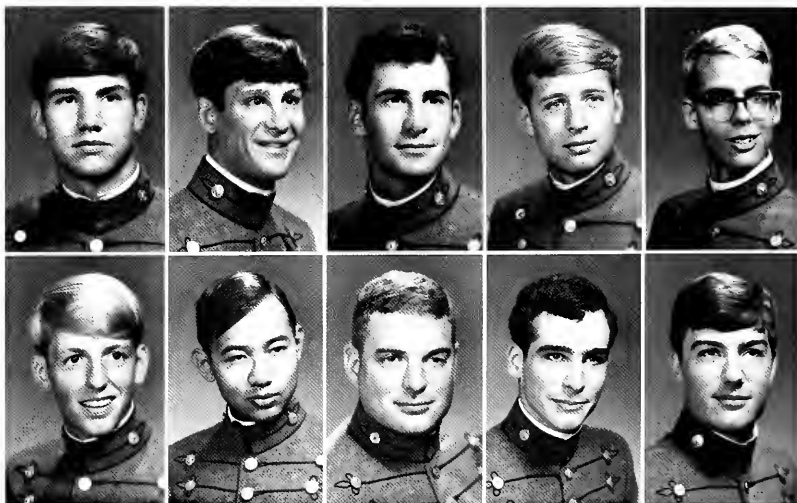
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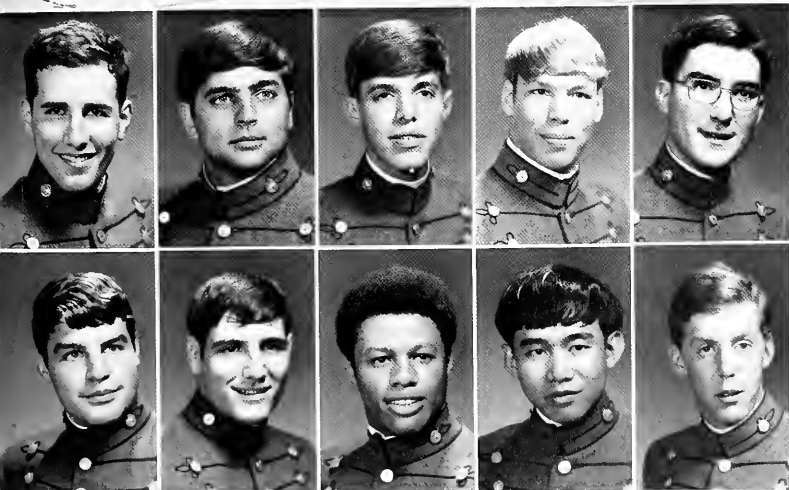
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THE CLASS OF 1978



From every corner of the earth we came to the Institute. Rich man, poor man, and men from the middle class; we came to VMI seeking an education and after our first year at the Institute we found that the VMI education contained more than any man could expect.

August 21, 1974 was a day that will live in the mind of every man who matriculated with us. Some left after only a few hours. Some left after a few days. Many will have left when we finish in 1978. However, we all have a common bond. On January 17, 1975, we become the Class of 1978. It was not an easy interim. Time went by quickly as we look back, however, it dragged as the day to day problems we faced came and went.

The experience of being a RAT was something no one could have described. From the elevation of High School senior, we quickly found ourselves among the scum of the earth. Heads swimming, bodies aching and minds wishing only for just a few minutes respite, our first week was spent being indoctrinated into the place we wanted to call home for four years. Closed quarters, physical exertion, horrible food, and pangs of separation from friends and lovers seemed to dominate our existence. Finally classes started, and we found time to write our girlfriends, parents, and think about what we had done. Rack time, the new term for sleep our dykes had taught us, was another classtime activity.

The time of reckoning came in October, when the first quarter grades were released. Was that a shock! Those teachers had been giving us College level work and all we had done is used our free time to escape the harsh world of the military and the even harsher Ratline. But this — grades — we had forgotten our purpose in coming to College. Our parents ranted and raved about the purpose that they had in sending us and reminded us of our good high school grades and our Dean's List aspirations.

Somehow we made it. Through all of the hardships and good times, we finished this first year. Our dykes are leaving we owe them a great deal. Some day we will become dykes again, and we must retain what we feel now. We must be able to remember our own trails and pain, and separate the good from the bad.

But that is in the future. For now, we have the enforcement of another Ratline to contend with. We look forward to another hard year. So many times we have heard that the third class year is the worst as a cadet, now we must experience this burden.

We the class of 1978 must look forward to much at the Institute. There will be good times, combined with the bad. We will have to face them with the spirit with which we faced our ratline and the breakout if we are to succeed as cadets. We must put out the effort required to become the best class in barracks.

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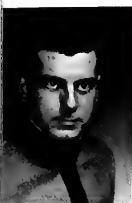


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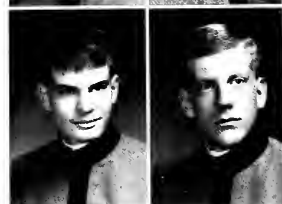
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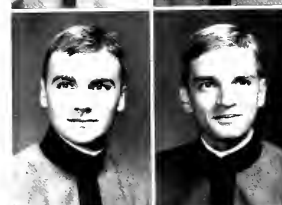
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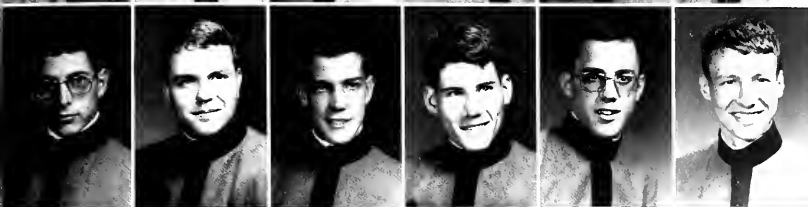


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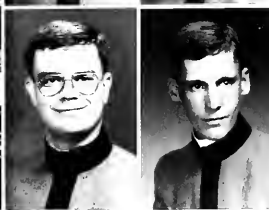
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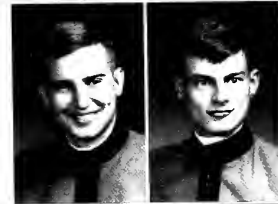
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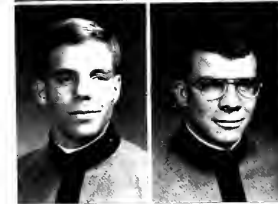
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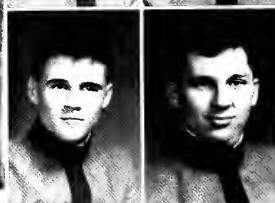
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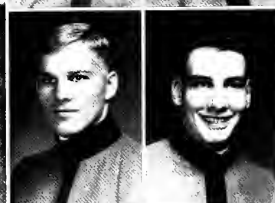
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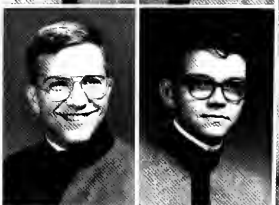
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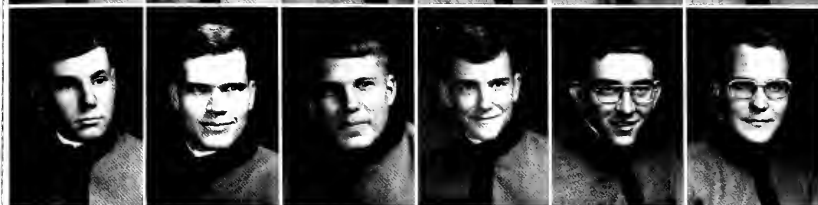
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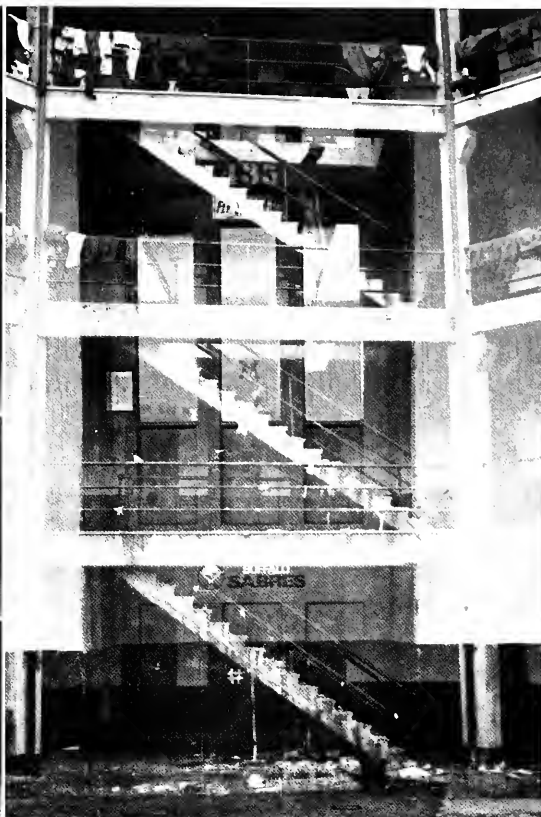


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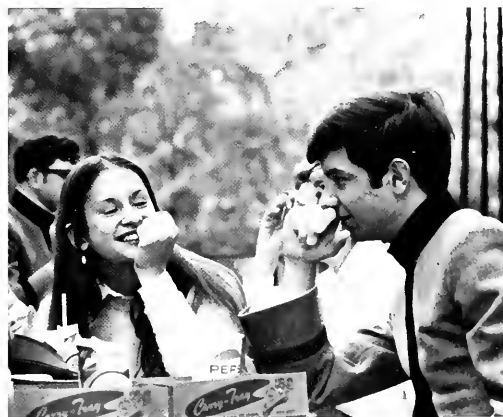


Scattered between tests, inspections, parades, and the other mundane duties of cadetship, lies the social world of parties, girls, Hop Weekends, and the just plain good times that are so cherished by every cadet. Whether enjoying the company of your best girl, dancing to the music of a good band, partying at your favorite house, or just being with a good friend, the VMI Cadet can make the best of his social hours.

This year brought Homecoming as the first event of the year. The weekend was highlighted by the crowning of Miss Mary Hopkins as queen of the festivities. She was crowned during the halftime ceremonies of the Keydet victory over Furman.

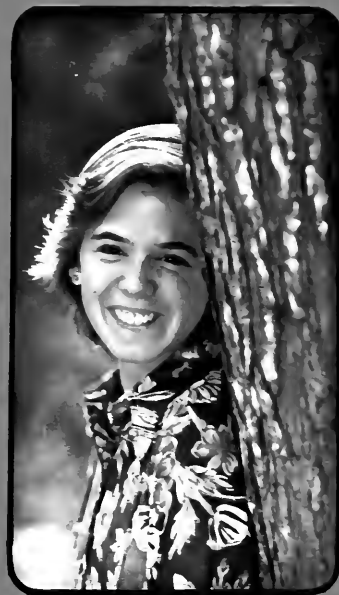
Openings was highlighted by another Keydet victory, and the Indian Summer that we experienced throughout the entire first semester.

But even the excitement of Hop Weekends did not seem to mark the high points of this social year. With a winning program, and the marvelous weather, cadets, their dates, and friends found a way to enjoy most every weekend they were not bound to the Institute.



HOMECOMING COURT

Upper right: Diane McCullough BAND
 Lower right: Susan Cory FOXTROT
 Lower left: Carol Dixon BRAVO





upper left: **Becky Bellamy**
 upper right: **Susan Maxey**
 lower left: **Barbara Baxter**

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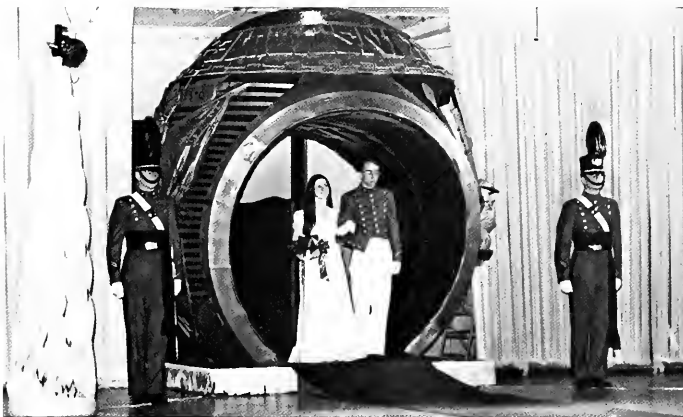




The Homecoming Queen
Mary Hopkins CHARLIE



Ring Figure 1976







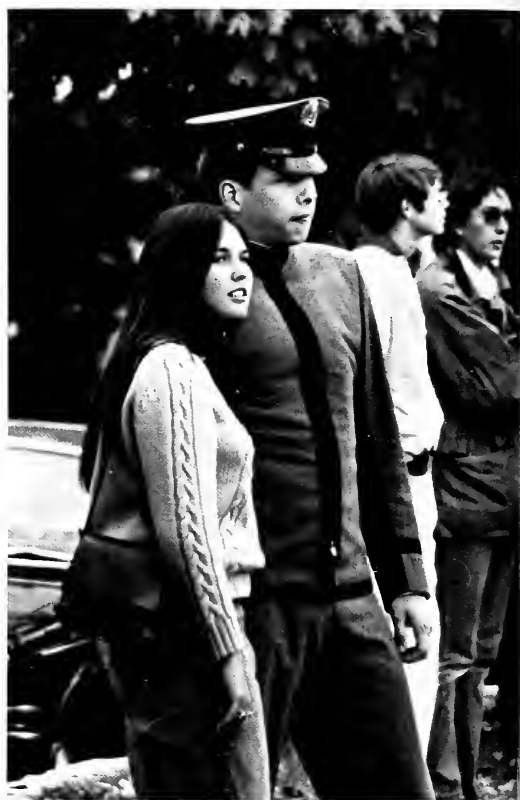












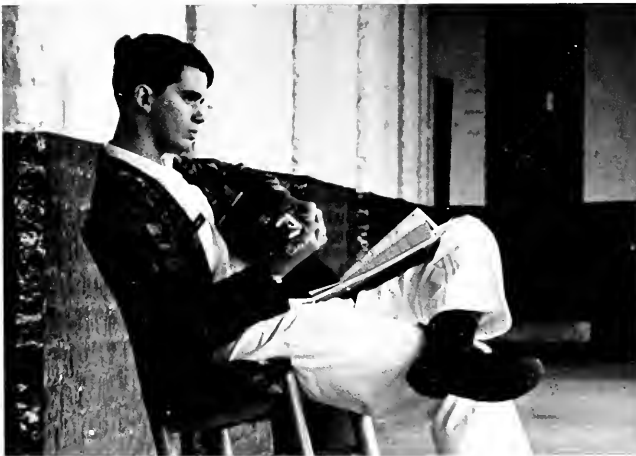
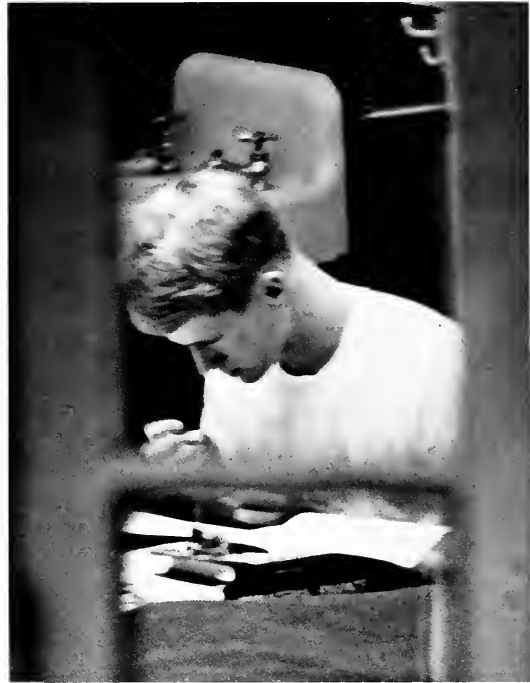


Mike,

I'm sorry that I haven't written but I've been busy with school. About the "King figure" I don't think I'll go 'cause I really don't want to and 'cause I don't really like you. I hope you don't get mad or anything but I'm only telling you what I think is best and what I know is best. Let's just stop writing so we don't hurt each other's feelings by what we write. OK? I hope so. Well, it's been nice knowing you. Have fun in school (V.M.) and take it easy.

Dorothy.

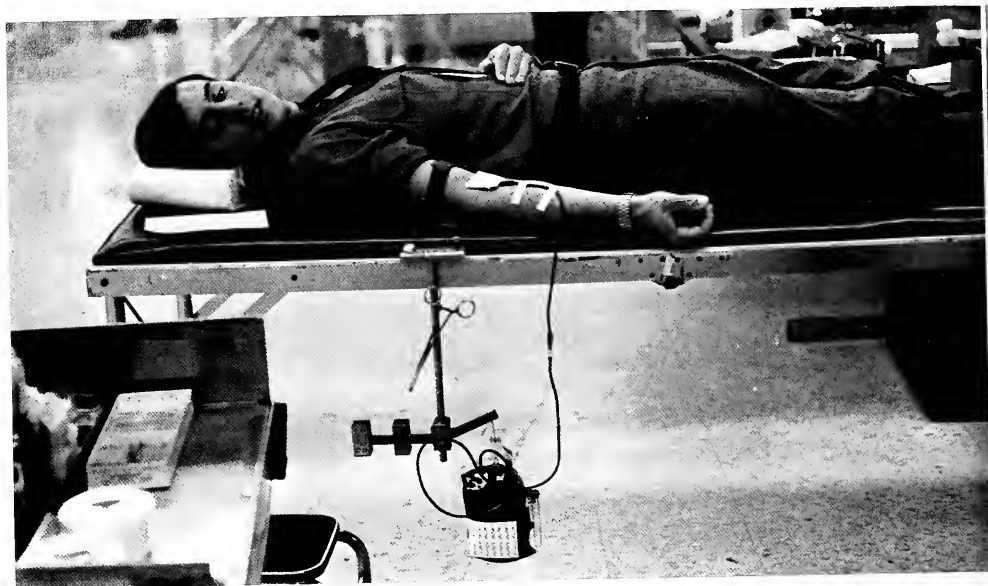
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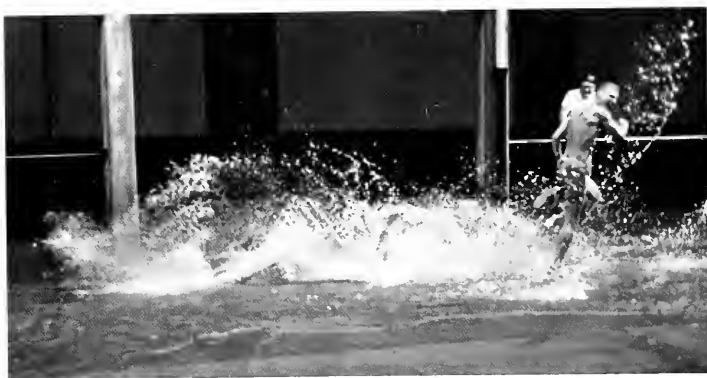
1. Permission is requested for Cadets Irissarri, CJ and Mulligan, MJ to be excused from Military Duty on Mondays for the purpose of attending ballet classes at Southern Seminary.
2. These structured classes begin at 1530 hrs. and end at 1630 hrs. on Mondays and Wednesdays.
3. Cadets Irissarri and Mulligan have made arrangements with Mr. Davis, the Dean of Academics at Sem., to enroll in this course.
4. These cadets have already attended two classes and find that the course will improve body coordination and control, increase agility, and aid in bettering muscular tone, useful in excelling in sports and other activities.
5. Cadet Mulligan is under no restrictions, however; Cadet Irissarri might be under confinement and PT's when this permit goes into effect, if approved.

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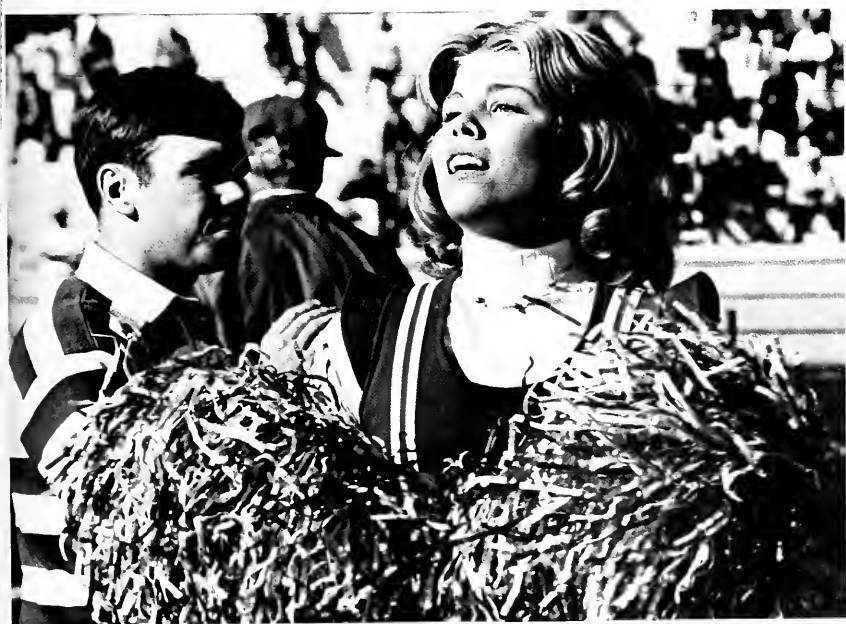
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The Wizard

Bushong Out House



Call me Lavi. I am known to the citizens of the Emerald City as Lavrenti-Baruach. For the past four years I have lived here in the land of Oz. Grilled by driving showerheads, driven through the parade patties, frozen in winter, roasted in summer, I can now tell the true story of the Emerald City and its ruler, Richard the Tenth better known to the citizens as "The Wizard".

The Wizard came to our happy city early in the Spring of 1971 and a brief list of his accomplishments follows:

King Richard the Tenth
"Wizard", "Wiz"
Puzzle Palace, Oz, Va.

Varsity Football 4, 3, 2, 1; Who's He in American Hayracks; English Speaking Union?? 4, 3, 2, 1; Graduate of Moreen Mush Mouth's graduate course on eloquent diction; Lt, Capt, Maj, BG, Maj General, Sorcerer, Wizard; Outdoor Federation — President; Lifetime subscription to Field and Stream; Bushong Out House Restoration Committee, 1; Recondo, 1; FTX Fiasco, 1

With visions of grandeur dancing in his head, the Wizard returned from the scenic paddies of the land of Nam. Many of the more rational citizens believe that the Wizard was imprisoned there and was driven to the brink of insanity by the evil torture. His love of the outdoors and keen Recondo-like military training were said to be the basis for his immortal words: "If we have to march them to White's Mud Puddle and back, we are going to have an FTX this year, By God!"

Hardly a magician capable of relying upon his own limited powers, the Wizard often turns to others for support. He has attempted to create the atmosphere of one big football team in Emerald City. His attempt at molding the two factions, "the munchkins" and "the trees" met with characteristic failure. In organizing for the oldest ritual in Emerald City, the New Make-it Day Parade, he extolled a dozing citizenship to work together as a "Big Red Team." He attempted to move the sea of apathetic men by explaining that he had come to the land of Oz many years ago to, "play football."

Rarely to be found in the throneroom, the Wizard is more likely to be circumnavigating the parade paddie in his magic tan tank. Often he has been seen "mingling with the troops" in the land of Poncho the Red. Good weather drives our ruler out into the wide open spaces. He and his faithful hound, Toto, can be seen shagging golf balls at the local course, attending turkey shoots, entertaining visiting dignitaries, and working hard to preserve Emerald City's historical reputation. Last summer the Wizard led the fight to restore the Bushong Out House. It is rebuilt now, however there is some doubt as to whether the effort was worth all the time and money.

For four years now, the Wizard has ruled the Emerald City. Some of what he has accomplished may never be undone. It will be a test of the strength of our city to withstand yet another year under the reign of Richard the Tenth.

Now I will introduce Uncle Toddie who will show you our fair city. It has not always been this bad. However, the Wizard has stood firm on his concept of the Big Red Team, and as long as his Palace remains in fair condition and the citizens are held in check by the "Wicked Buck of the West," nothing will change at Emerald City.



"The Wicked Buck Of The West"



Hi there, I'm Totally InSain, but you can call me Uncle Toddie. I'm here to take you on an S-5 guided tour of the Emerald City. Do you have your sickie bags ready? Good, let's begin.

This is where the "cadet" lives. A "cadet" is a strange form of animal, one who is deathly afraid of things called TACs and the BONE. Don't ever mention the word "Buck" around him. The "Buck" is the predatory Wicked Witch of the West who lunches on cadets. One mention of his name and a cadet literally can vanish into the woodwork in a flash of unpressed shirts and trailing long(?) hair.

Any way the cadet's room is really nice, isn't it? Wouldn't you like to live here? You don't look so good fellal Please use the trash can, you'll need your bag later.



This is a radiator in a cadet's room. It gives him too little heat in the winter and too much heat in the summer. Do you have sinus troubles? Well, The Emerald City will cure you of it. One week of sleeping in a room with one of these will cure you for life because you'll have no sinuses left! That thing sticking out the side?? Well, that's a humidifier. Any more dumb questions? Let's move on.

These are two typical "cadets" outside their room here in the Emerald City. Undoubtedly they are "firsts", a breed of cadet identified by their strange mating call, "Cooperate and graduate." See how neat they look? Here comes the Wicked Buck of the West. See how fast they disappear?



This is a stairway up to a "stoop" in our beautiful city. Notice how clean the stairs are and how the railings are molded to "give" with the tide of cadets as they stream up to their rooms after Inspections. Lets go down stairs and have a look at the Main Stinks.





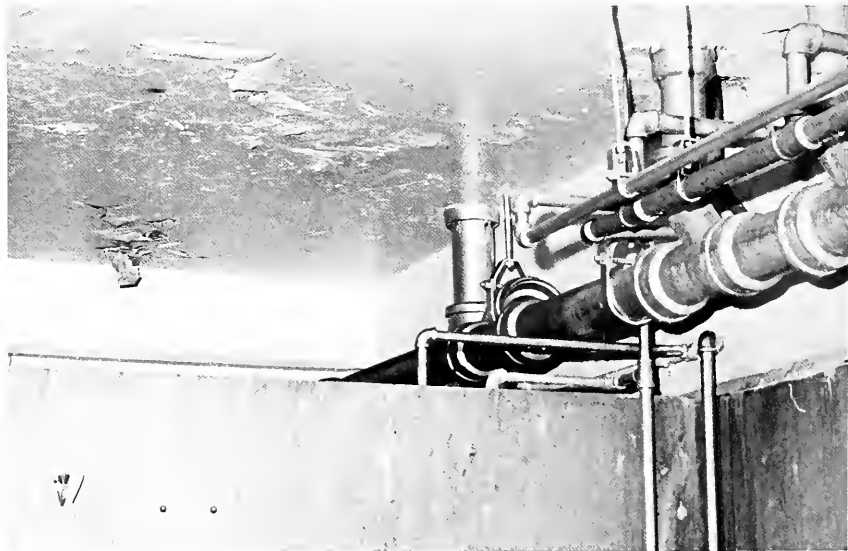
This is a telephone booth at the Emerald City. On Saturday nights, especially after a thing called a "Zollman's", many men have been seen making long distance calls to New York, talking to a man called Ralph about a Buick. Notice the white lining around the outside for better hearing.

Say, you don't look so good fella, why don't you make a call in the next booth. The toll is on us of course.

This is called a "high compression water drill." It's used to drill holes through the backs, skulls, legs, and necks of cadets who mistakenly use them for "showers." There are two models, the "drill" model and the "fog" model. They both act on a new concept, first they freeze the user with subzero water, and then they fry the user with a super heated spray. They work best when someone is using one of the telephones we just showed you.

This is another view of the "water drill" room. Notice the high compression pipes used to transport the water for the drills. See the crack in the ceiling? This is where cadets have hit it attempting to avoid the killing blows of the drill. The little hook on the wall is where the victims are hung to dry out after the drill has gotten them.

That's a pretty good looking lunch you've got there fella. Want to try for the bag next time?





This is a guard rail around the "sacrifice pit" outside the Emerald City. Here, bad cadets are thrown to the TAC's. The TAC's wait at the bottom with sharpened pencils and empty bone sheets, ready to eat the poor soul alive. Note the cement around the rail. It is cracked. Undoubtedly this is where a cadet attempted to hang on for dear life. The scratch marks on the wall are from the TAC's. Many of them have attempted to jump out and grab a passing cadet.

This is "Whistler's Father". He is known by many as "Grampa" and "Pappa Stace". He likes coffee, golf, and his shapely secretary. Right now, he is not very happy with the Wicked Buck of the West. Infact, the Wicked Buck has put a spell on him, and turned him into a merit.





These are two "firsts" heading out on their bicycles for a night on the town. Notice how clean they look. The one riding on the back is one of their "dykes". The "first" picks up the dyke's mail and other things, while the dyke renders certain "services" to the "first."

Well that ends our tour. I hope you enjoyed our little visit inside the Emerald City and will come to be a part of our little experience after you graduate from grammar school, junior high, and high school. After all, it's never too early to start planning your college education. Come back any time. Say fella, you want a lolly pop before you go?



THE GRAND WIZARD AND HIS FU'S



from left to right: Pinkeyfu (Apprentice Magician), Irbeefu (Grand Wizard), Moronfu (Assistant Sourcer), Buckyfu (Wicked Witch of the West), Kingfu (Head Munchkin), Lunchfu (Loose Screw), Knucklefu (Head Turkey), Holsomfu (Court Jester), not pictured: Simplefu (Gate Keeper)

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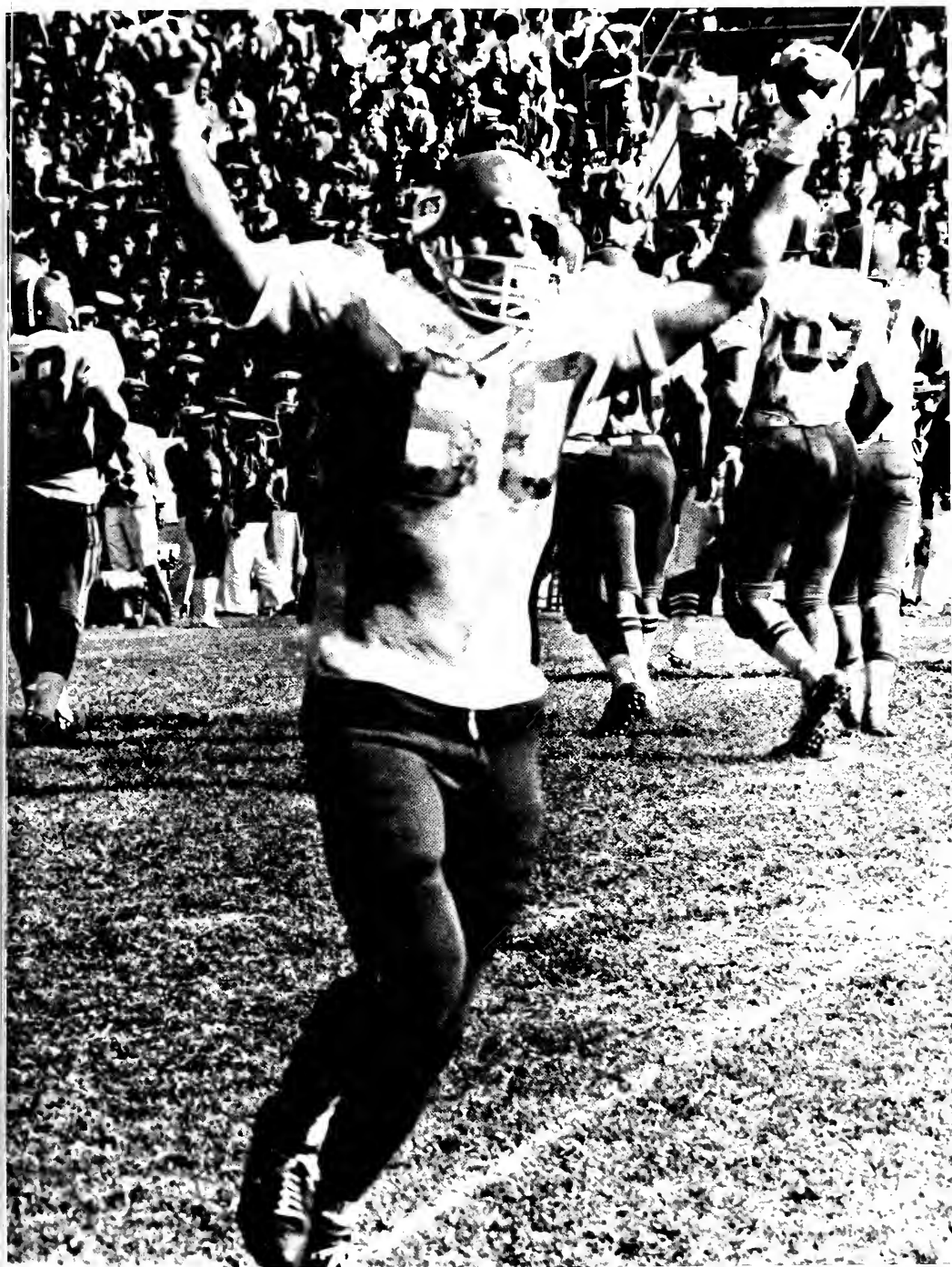
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Football 1974 brought a Championship. Perhaps this statement will some day stand for itself for all of those who were here when VMI suffered through the days of the longest losing streak, and the bleak times of recent seasons. But this was not the case in 1974. Many prognosticators picked VMI to finish fourth or even lower in the Conference. Playboy conceded we might have a winning season. But oh the surprises they had in store. From the outset, the Big Red had a new look. Gone were many of the old roadblocks to victory. There was a new Spirit that surfaced within the Corps this year. No longer were men persecuted because they were "jocks." The freshman remained. Even the Junior Varsity had a winning Season. And then there was the Big Red Team itself. For four years Coach Thalman had promised this years seniors a winner. This was to be that year. When everyone else despaired, Thalman and his seniors believed.

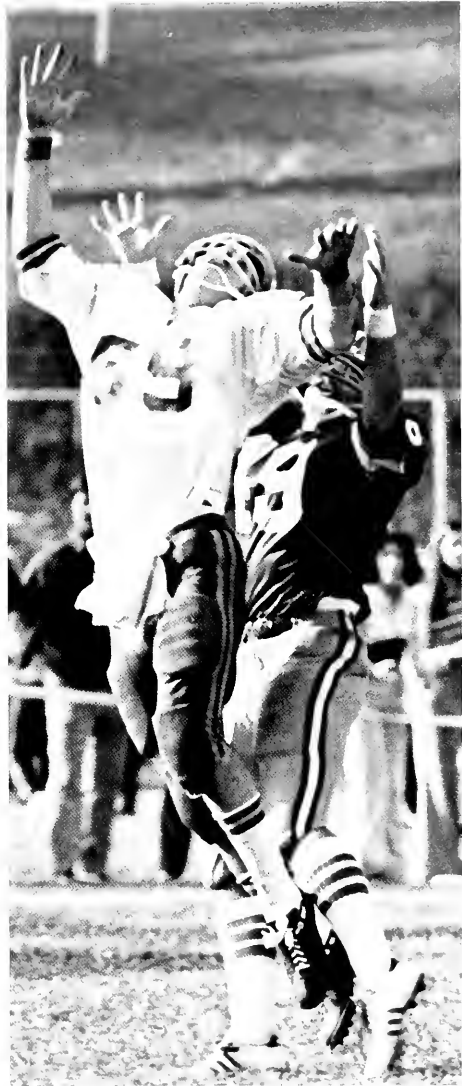
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7	Vanderbilt 45
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22	Virginia Tech 17
20	The Citadel 9
14	Southern Mississippi 15
31	William and Mary 20
14	Richmond 17
10	University of Virginia 28
31	Colgate 14
13	East Carolina 3



Despite early season questions, the Keydets soon discovered that they were the cream of the Conference. Victories over rivals Furman, Davidson, The Citadel, and William and Mary proved that the 1974 edition of the Big Red Football team was indeed a team to be reckoned with.

The story of these games was to be told by the ball control offense and a **TENACIOUS DEFENSE**. Led by Jay Newcomer, who was to save his best effort for last, and the Associated Press Defensive Lineman of the Week, John Willison, the Keydet defense was to lead the Conference by the end of the year.









For many years now, the season saving game for the Keydets was the contest against Virginia Tech. This year the nations second oldest rivalry moved to Richmond to become the scene of the Annual Tobacco Bowl. With the assembled queens, and almost the entire 1100 man Corps united in the stands of City Stadium, the Keydets destroyed the Hokies. Victory at its sweetest. For the second year in the row the underdog fighting Red Team simply outplayed their larger rival. Perhaps this was the game that convinced even the hardest corps of the unbelievers that the Southern Conference Championship was to be VMI's.

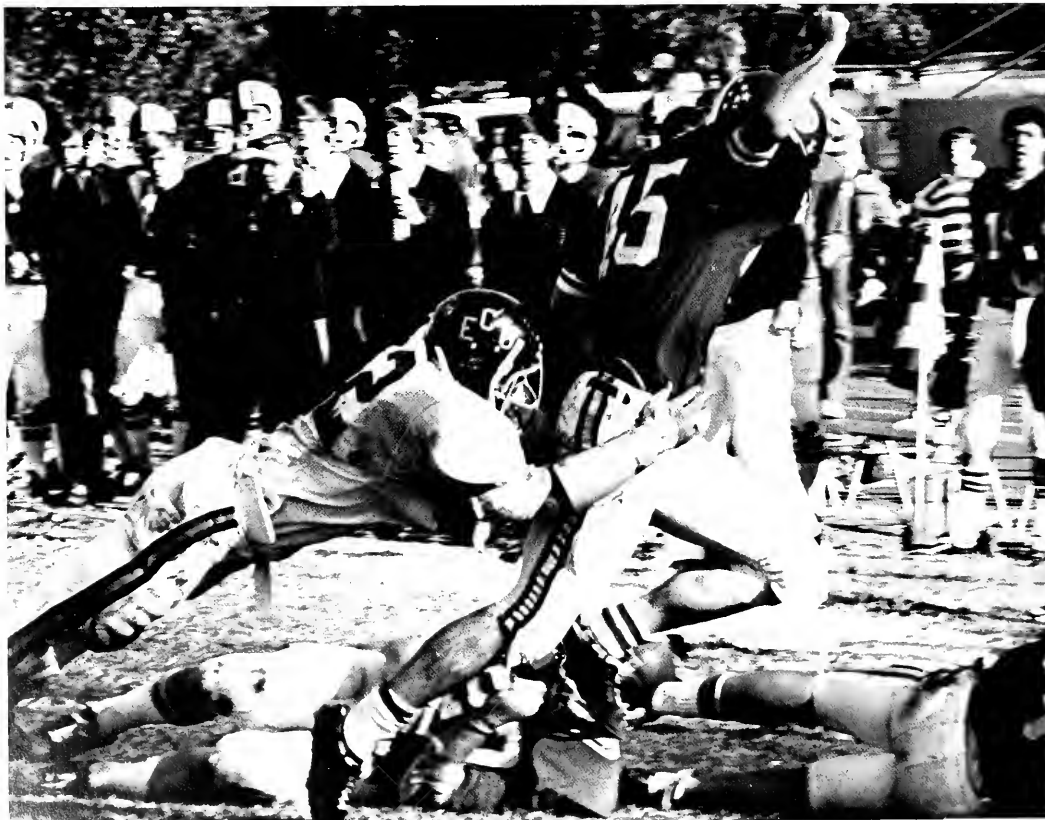
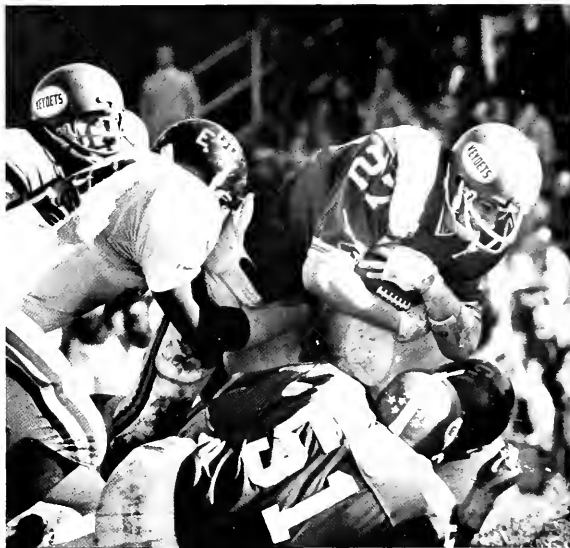


And so it all came down to the Alumni Memorial field that brisk November day, when the Big Red team faced the defending Champion Pirates of East Carolina. A victory meant a title, a loss meant that all of the hard work and effort would go for naught.

It was a day that will certainly go down as a day when the true Spirit of VMI was displayed. A day of defense, and a day when the offense, led by the seniors completely dominated the ECU defense.

But most of all it was the play of the VMI defense, led by a super-psyched Jay Newcomer, and a bone crunching line that simply obliterated the once powerful Pirate offense. The final score, 13-3, and it was the first time in four seasons that ECU had not scored a touchdown.

Coach Thalman's last comment before taking the field that day should long be remembered. After reviewing his assembled champions he stated: "There's not a team in America who will beat us today."

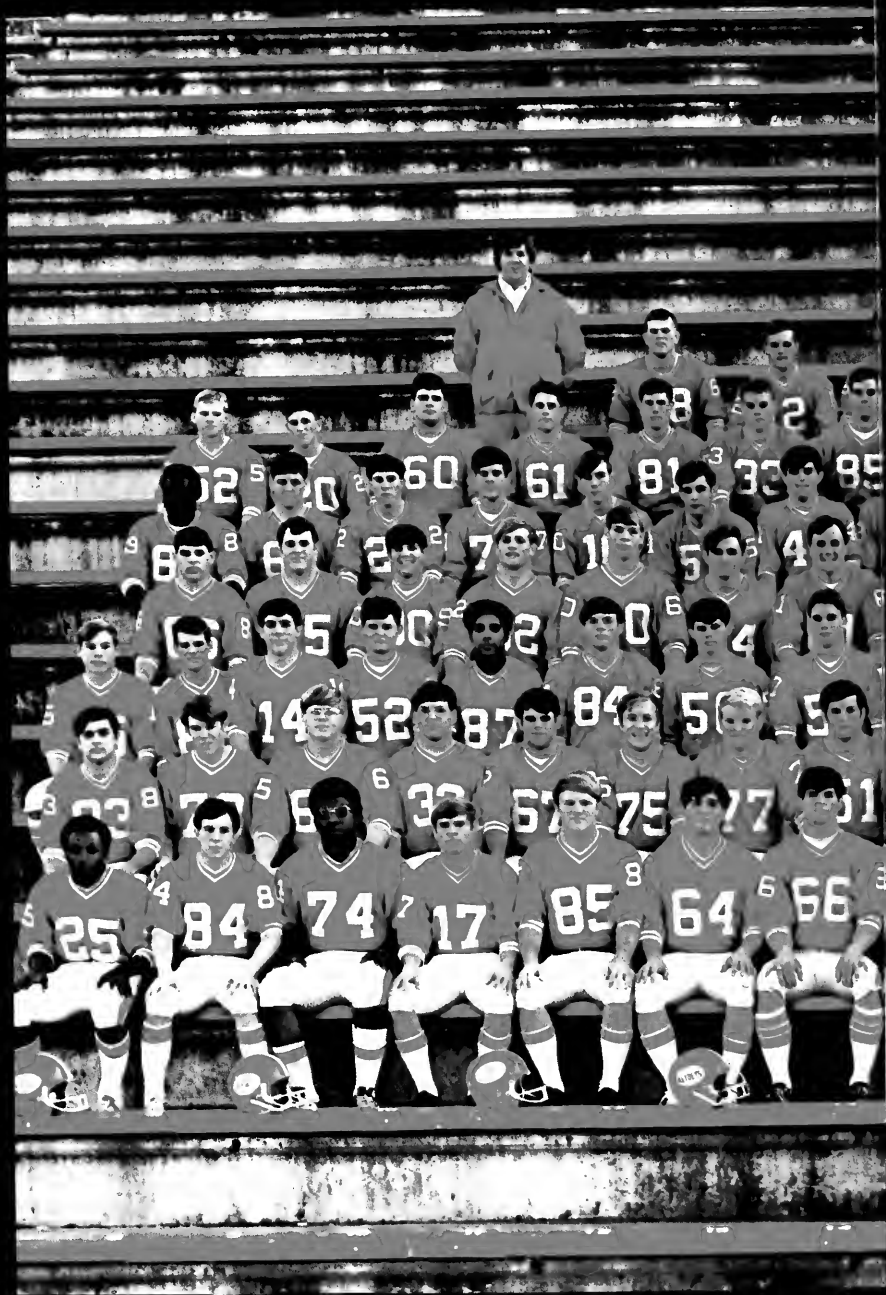




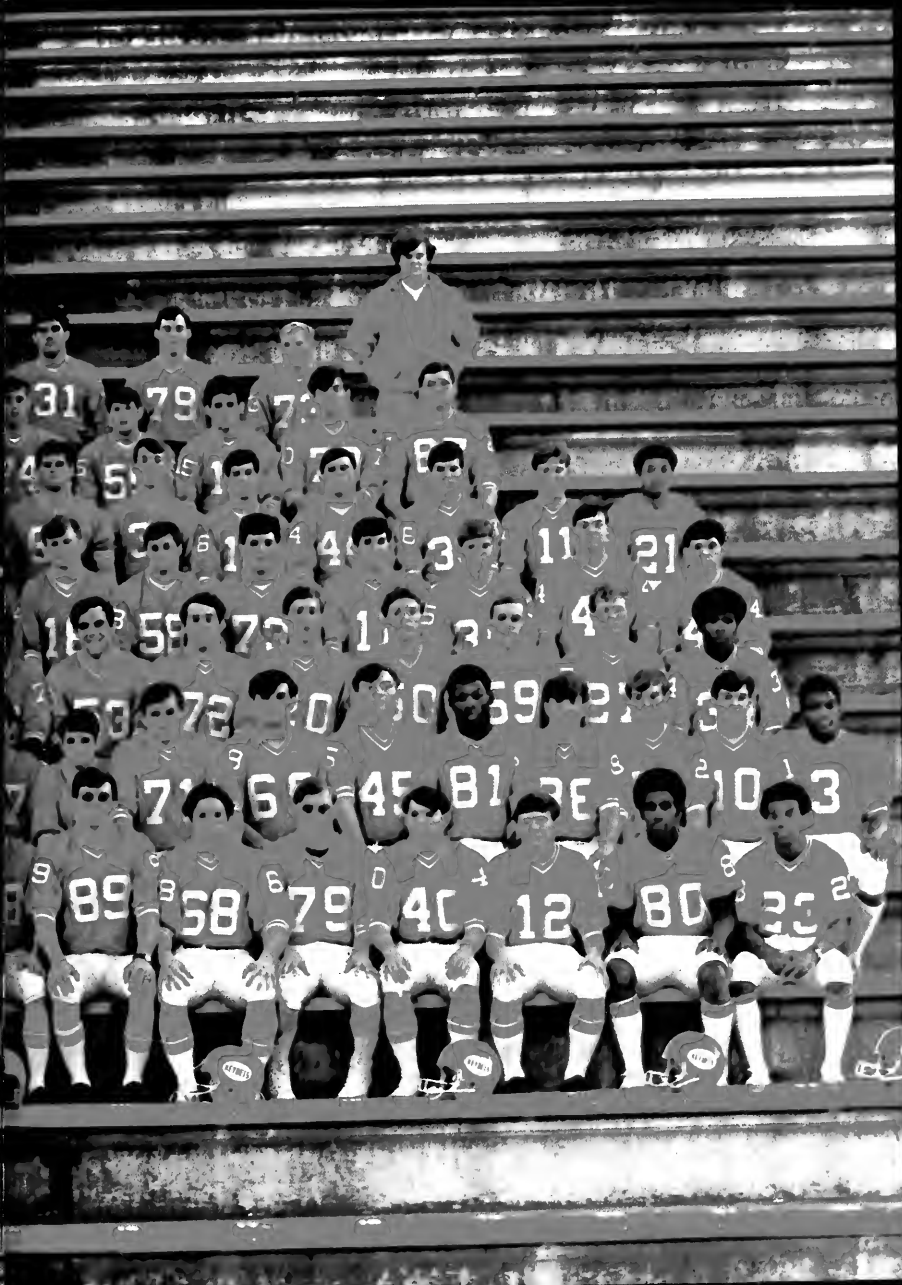
It was also on this day that the scrapping, gutsy Ronnie Norman would become the first man in VMI History to rush for a thousand yards in a single season. Behind the lines of Dearman, Richardson, Hines, Codutti, Glackin, Morgan, Torbett, and fullback Joe Arnold, Norman made his break early in the third quarter. This running combined with Ronnie Moore's stunning catch of a deflected Tony Farry pass all the Keydets needed to wrap up their first Conference title in twelve years.



1974 SOUTHERN CO



CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS





"The Eternal Optimist," VMI Coach Bob Thalman was finally rewarded this year in a big way. Selected first as the Southern Conference Coach of the Year, Coach Thalman was later to receive national recognition by being named the NCAA National Coach of the Year.

Each year the Thalman team improved. Every game it got a little better, until finally he gave the Corps what he promised upon his arrival in the summer of 1971, a winner and a Champion. Coach Thalman is truly a part of the Spirit of VMI, and his "Never Say Die" attitude has led the Keydets from the cellar of the Southern Conference to the top.

CHAMP'S BOB THALMAN ...I Knew What We Had'

**VMI Kept Believing,
Ignored the 'Ratings'**

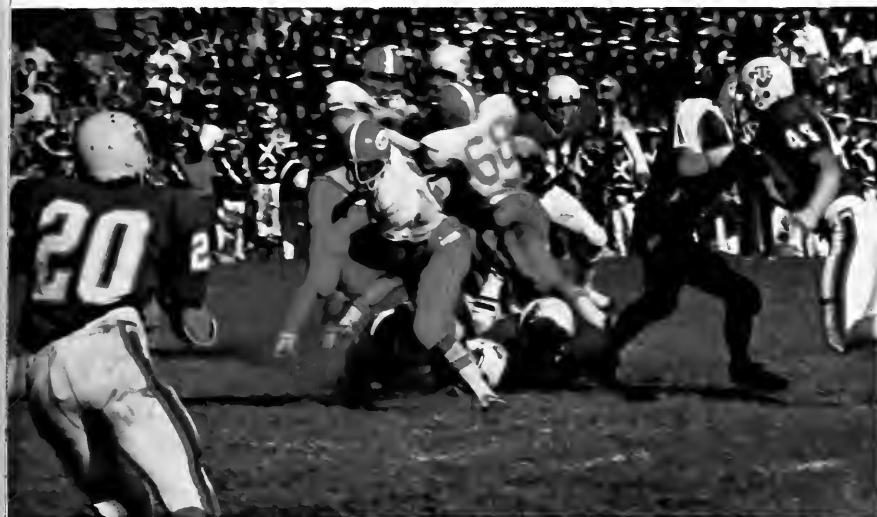


Andrew John Dearman, a three time All-Southern Conference selection, and this year's Honorary Captain of the Southern Conference All Star Team, was named to the Associated Press Second Team All American Team. Andy was one of the Tri-Captains of this year Keydet Champions, and was called by Coach Thalman as, "The best offensive lineman I have ever coached."

The 6'3", 236 pound hustler from Akron, Alabama was often the first man to cover punts, and the man to whom the Keydets turned all year to make the big block. His leadership was one of the prime factors in the Keydets success this season.





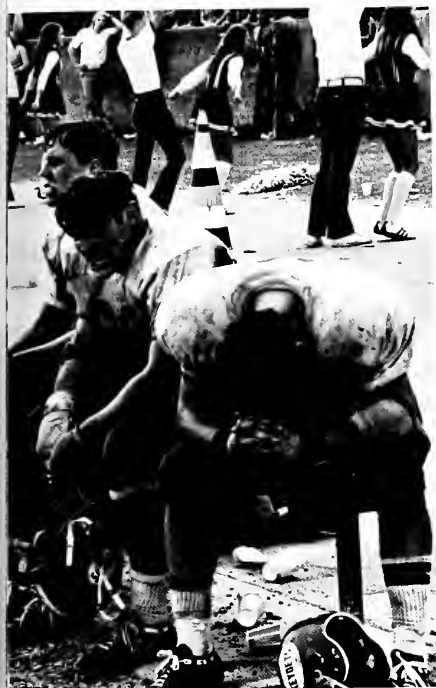


Central to the success of the 1974 Keydets was the complete change of attitude exhibited by both the Corps and the Alumni. The stands were filled this year, both home and away. The spirit displayed by the Corps made the team often refer to the cheering as the twelfth man on the field.

Another group of people who did so much to aid in the spirit this year were the cheerleaders who sponsored pep rallies, bonfires, and displayed the many banners that were on post.

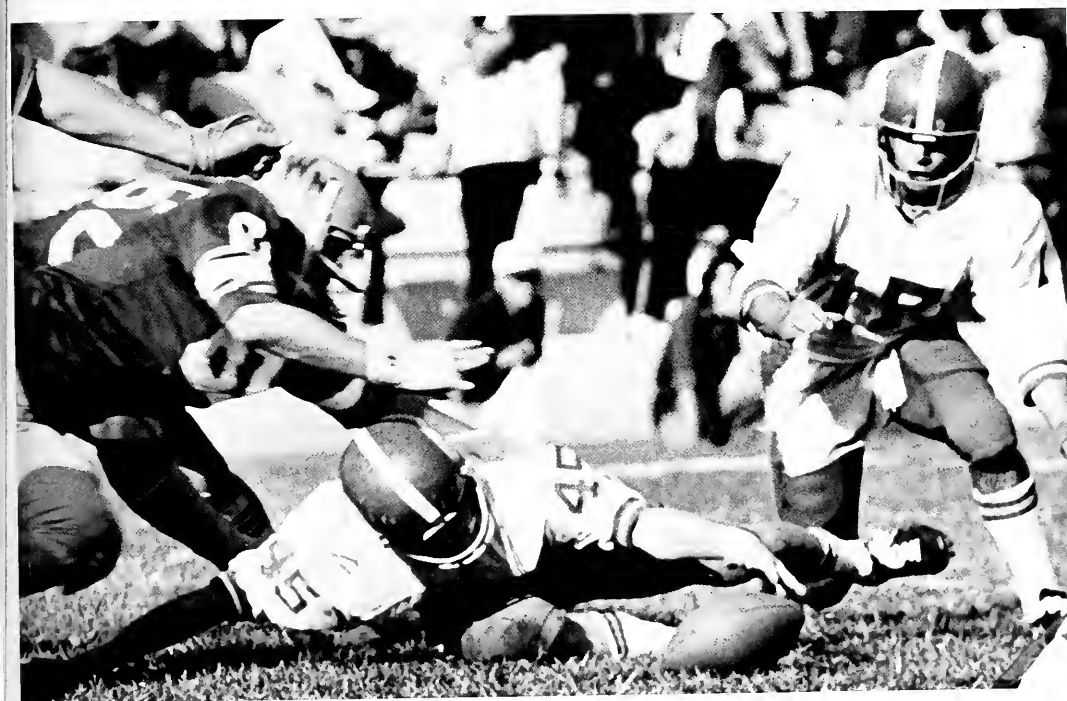
Hopefully the winning attitude will remain, and with it the Spirit exemplified this past season.





Not all of this past season was consumed with the taste of victory. The championship road was not an easy one. The Spiders of Richmond took the wind right out of the high flying Keydets sails at one point, and injuries to key personnel like Oscar Richardson, Bruce Torbett, and Dan Newcomer were compensated for only through the courage displayed by these men playing hurt.

The Big Red took several hard blows, but somehow always returned to establish themselves as true Champions.



The 1974 Football Keydets . . . Champions of the Southern Conference. But don't think that this will be the last title for another twelve years. Next year the entire defensive unit returns, with the notable exception of Jay Newcomer. However, Phil Upton, Terry White, and John Willison return to anchor 1974's best defense in '75.

The offense will bear the brunt of the graduating seniors. It will be hard to replace such stars as Andy Dearman, Ronnie Norman, and Tony Farry. However Kim Glidewell is a workhorse, and he may well become the all time career rushing holder. The indomitable Joe Arnold will return to get those tough yards when needed, and help the line turn holes into gaps. Ronnie Moore, who did not have the year he has had in the past, will again have a passing quarterback in Bill Bailey. Ronnie will almost assuredly set several records next season. Bill Bailey will return, and the freshman got plenty of experience this year, helping to give him the poise he needs to help defend the championship.

But perhaps the most important returnee will be the Coach, Bob Thalman. Next season the writers will listen to the "Eternal Optimist." This in addition to his winning attitude, and the many returning people should add up to another title.

With the spirit high, and the winning attitude fresh in the minds of the team and the Corps, the 1975 Keydets can look ahead to another great season.





RUGBY



J.M. Soukup, J.M. Maples, D.C. Schultz, K.D. Widner, T.C. Moody, S.T. Mishkofski, D.K. Copp, W.O. Meier, S.M. Wilkins, L.A. Martin, J.L. Hugar, K. Kowadlo, T.W. Swenson, B.W. Undercoffer, J.C. Seitz, D.M. Jensen, J.F. Amatetti, W.L. Hendry, T.A. Mason, G.A. Trimmer, B.R. Frey, P.L. Brozpzpowski, W.W. Naff, K.D. Williams, T.L. Brooks, C.L. Aycock, W.W. Moncure, L.S. Tayon, T.E. Wolfe, J.S. Bentley, H.S. VanHooser, R.S. Singletary, C.J. Gerhart, J.L. Stranger, N.P. Woodard, H.A. Bungay, H.J. McKnight, B.E. Weaver, T.R. North, S.D. Jackson, J.B. Forsyth, M.T. McCarthy, F.G. Furr, T.T. Kinnier, R.C. Wolfee, R.W. Brown, S.P. James, L.L. Fluthy, T.H. Simpson, B.F. Tulbert, J.L. Leban, P.B. Mitchell, T.A. Brown, P.J. Dillon, L.J. Logan, G.E. Robinson, J.A. Garnett, W.H. Overton, B.R. Baker, N.J. Francis, M.J. Myers, W.B. Mason, D.B. McGinnis, W.T. Hupp, J. Newcomer, R.D. Lee, W.C. Berry, O.B. Johnson, R.C. Brown, R.M. Bartosik, G.S. Eggleston.



Since the fall of 1969, the Cadets of VMI have continuously fielded one of the roughest, toughest, and winningest Rugby Teams in the state. Having a winning record that is unequalled by any other sport at VMI, this team has never had a losing season — and this year has been no exception!

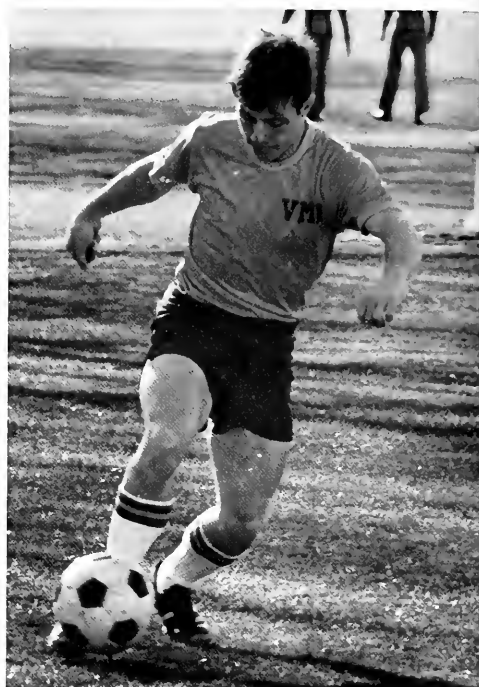
With the motto "give blood, play VMI Rugby", this years team has had a true taste of "the mud, the blood, and the beer" of Rugby. Under the leadership of such old ruggers as John Soukup, John Maples, Dan Schultz, Jim Seitz and Tom Mason, next years team is assured to have had the benefit of alot of experience, in "all facets of Rugby"! From the wildest parties that VMI has ever known, to the most flamboyant and colorful characters in barracks, this years' Rugby team has left another great season and a tradition to be proudly carried on.



Soccer

What seemed to be a potentially great soccer team under the leadership of Jay Sculley, became a disheartened mass of players with his departure. The fall found the team with a new coach, a new offense/defense, and new players in vital spots. It was a bold change which the team could have keyed upon. Unfortunately, mistakes, inexperience, and other factors weighed too heavily against the Big Red. Yet on occasions the team played brilliantly, as in the Washington and Lee game where they tied VMI 1-1. The team is older and wiser and ready for next season.

Special mention must be given to the captains of the team: Dan Heiken and Frank Hillson, both four year veterans and All Southern Conference players. Time and again these two soccer stars would rally the team with their, "Never-Say-Die", attitude.



F. A. Allner, D. F. Ashton, J. D. Bangs, J. A. Bowman, E. L. Brown, C. P. E. Burgwyn, P. C. Carine, P. L. Felder, J. B. Forsyth, F. H. Hagreen, E. D. Heiken, F. J. Hillson, R. M. Hohnann, I. A. Kanner, A. N. MacKenzie-Graham, W. L. Morris, A. Robbins, J. R. Roberston, R. C. Robertson, M. C. Culley, L. W. Thorp, C. Tingsbbat, J. S. Wall, R. R. Wetherill, J. E. Woodward, D. A. Yerkes, C. M. Zahner, R. R. Meredith.

Fencing



After losing several key fencers last year at graduation, the 1974-1975 season was a building season. The team had a small nucleus of veterans on which to draw, but the majority of the team had little or no experience. Team Captain Bill Short, a mainstay of the foil squad, faced many problems as captain, but through hard work and perseverance order was brought out of chaos.

Throughout the season, the sabre squad, under squad captain Richard Leonard, was the leading weapon, followed closely by the foil squad under Phil Thorpe. The épée squad, under Bill Reichelt, brought up the rear, due primarily to a lack of experience. The Rats, trained by head coach Tad Humphries, look promising and may very well be a nucleus for a powerhouse team, in all weapons.



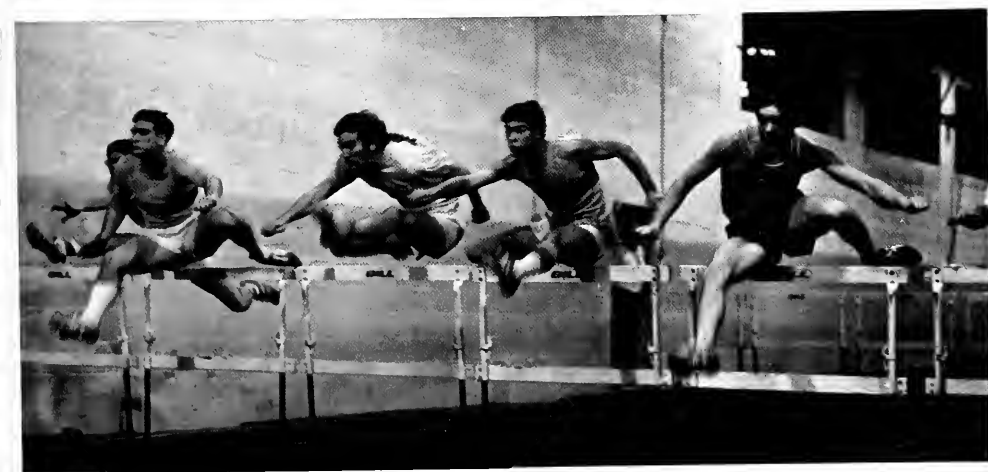
Dr. E. B. Wingfield, Advisor; Coaches Worth, Humphreys, and Richie; W. A. Short, Team Captain; D. N. Sims, P. J. Thorpe, A. B. Eppe, W. E. Reichelt, J. E. Verrick, A. J. Languedoc, R. A. Leonard, E. K. Ray, R. L. Mantueffel, J. P. Stocke, W. C. Harlow, T. P. Mouras, R. L. Macks, R. C. Howell, H. U. Fluher, J. L. Conrad, J. J. Lach, R. J. Burgio, M. C. Wright, F. B. Pohlker, S. C. Craig, W. P. Leavenworth, M. P. Thomason, B. G. Kay, J. V. Barnhill



Track



G.A. Arnett, G.A. Beck, S.A. Billingsley, U. Briggs, E.L. Brown, W.I. Brown, G.L. Codutti, D.N. Colonna, T.H. Crawford, G.T. Diamontopolus, T.R. Ferguson, M.J. Freeman, R.H. George, A.J. Gibson, M.I. Guthrie, T.S. Hendry, G.N. Jones, W.W. Lemaster, P.T. Marshall, J.K. Martin, R.O. Mines, A.U. Moore, R.A. Moore, L.S. Nottingham, R.W. O'Conner, M.H. Oelrich, L.A. Prictard, G.S. Riefler, B.H. Riesbeck, D.A. Robinson, T.J. Stevens, C.B. Tuck, J.J. Tulski, R.L. Tuell, J.S. Turpin, R.A. Wiggins, D.A. West, J.J. Willison, J. Fear

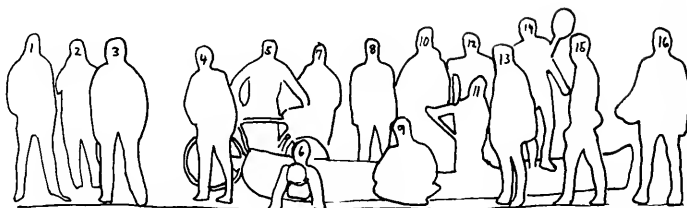


Intramurals

For those Cadets who do not wish to get involved with Varsity sports, but who desire to play competitive sports at a much lower level, or just get themselves some exercise, there is the intramural program. Every cadet at V.M.I. must be involved in either a Varsity sport or some sort of Intramural during the academic year, and a wide variety of Intramurals are offered. Basically, the year is broken up into three Intramural seasons, each season offering several different sports. During the fall season, cadets have several team and individual sports to choose from. Flag football offers cadets a chance to play a limited form of football with nearly all the contact of regular tackle football. Cadets choose their own teams, and games are scheduled for several times during the week. With the end of the season, playoffs are held between all the teams, and a final championship team is chosen from these games. Soccer was offered as an Intramural sport for the first time this fall. Although it did not have a set schedule, as did football, many cadets participated in the program. It seems as if this sport has a great future as an Intramural sport. Handball was also offered during the fall and has emerged as V.M.I.'s number one sport of individual competition. Under a schedule set up each week, cadets competed in one and two man teams against each other and several faculty members. The success of this sport has made it the only competitive sport to be played year round at V.M.I. The "Run for your Life" program was also offered for cadets who did not wish to participate in the competitive sports. Twice a week, cadets were required to run three miles, up one mile from last year's program. This program enabled men not only to get their required aerobics points for their Physical Education classes, but to also "get out and see the country-side". It, too, remained a year round sport at V.M.I.

With winter and colder weather, the Intramural program moved indoors. Basketball became the big sport for this season, with cadets once again picking their own teams and competing against one another on a scheduled basis every week. Volleyball also became a large sport, with cadet-picked teams playing on a scheduled basis every week in conjunction with the basketball teams. Along with the regular handball intramurals and the "Run for your Life" program, a new "Swim for your Life" program was instituted, with cadets swimming thirty-six laps twice a week. This new program also met with surprising success and may become a permanent part of the Intramural program for the year. Other individual programs, such as weight lifting, karate and others offered cadets with a wide range of activities for the season.

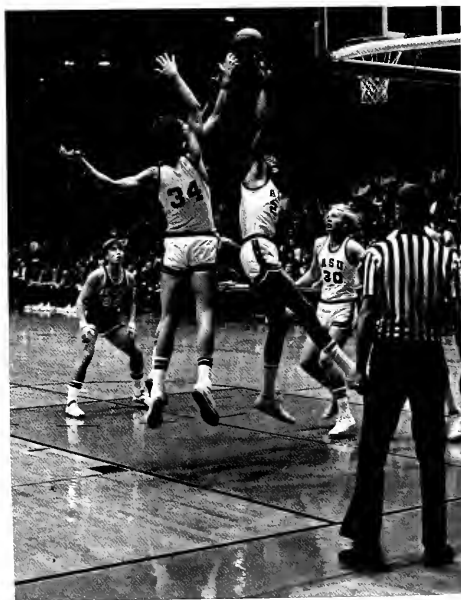
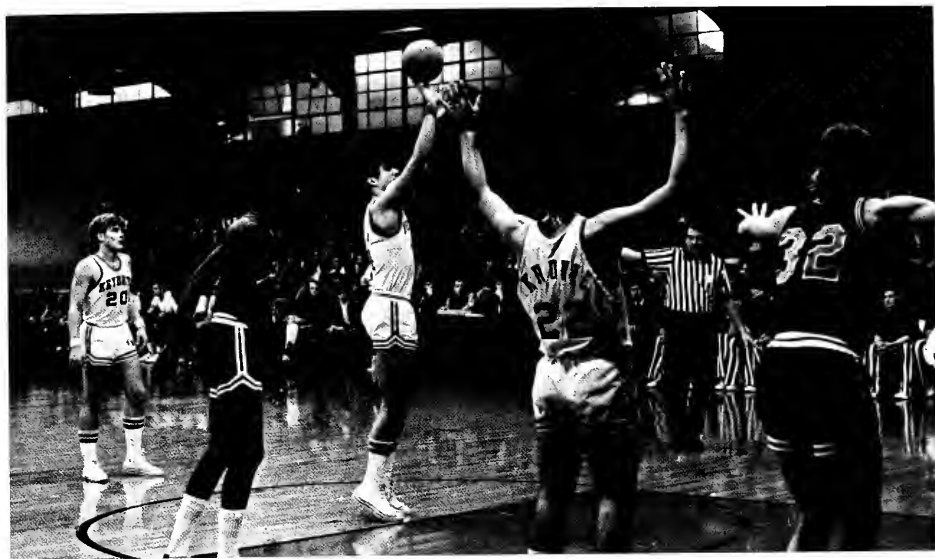
The spring season and warmer weather brought the Intramural program back outdoors, with softball becoming the number one sport of the season. Cadets once again picked their own teams and played on set schedules each week, with a tournament set up at the end of the season to determine the champions. Volleyball was offered as an indoor sport, following the same format as during the winter season. Individual activities were once again offered and cadets enjoyed a wide range of activities, both indoor and outdoor.



The Intramurals Director?



In summary, the Intramural program at V.M.I. offers the cadet a variety of sports or sports related activities throughout the year, aiding in the development of the cadet in the "whole man" concept that V.M.I. is known for. Almost everyone on the athletic field has a gimmick. Can you pick the Intramural Director? **1** No. That's Steven Soccer, gimmick: stripe socks. Hasn't washed them all season. **2** Nope, that's Artie Archery. He can't find anyone dumb enough to try out for his William Tell act. **3** Wrong. Peter Parachute's gimmick is his get up — looks like something out of a war movie. **4** Wrong again. Here we have Freddie Frogman. His gimmick is walking around the beach with his skin-tight pants, impressing girls. **5** No, this is Billy Bicycle. Gimmick: peddling bicycles to prospective riders. **6** No, this is Vincent Volleyball. Gimmick: serves the ball from between his legs. **7** Wrong. Sedrick Softball's gimmick is clubbing people who like football over the head with his bat. **8** Rupert Running — runs for his rack. **9** This is Sanford Swim. Gimmick: directs young girls to the beach. He has hydrophobia. **10** You've got to be kidding. This is Micky Mountain, hasn't seen a mountain in years. Scales the barracks every night to go out and get some beer. **11** Right. This is Tom Sawyer, but he has a gimmick anyway. He paddles across the parade ground every Tuesday and Thursday in order to earn his 7 1/2 points. **12** Willy Walkon. Got in the picture because he owns the canoe. **13** This is Tommy Tennis. His gimmick is yelling "Love" at everyone he sees. Everyone thinks he's a little strange. **14** Nope, he's Tommy's half-brother and partner, Timmy Tennis. Gimmick: plays "Dueling Banjos" on his racket. **15** That's Hank Handballs. Gimmick: just look at his name! **16** That is Boo-Boo Basketball. Either he is carrying an extra basketball under his shirt or he has "Dunlap's Disease" — done laped over the belt.



Basketball



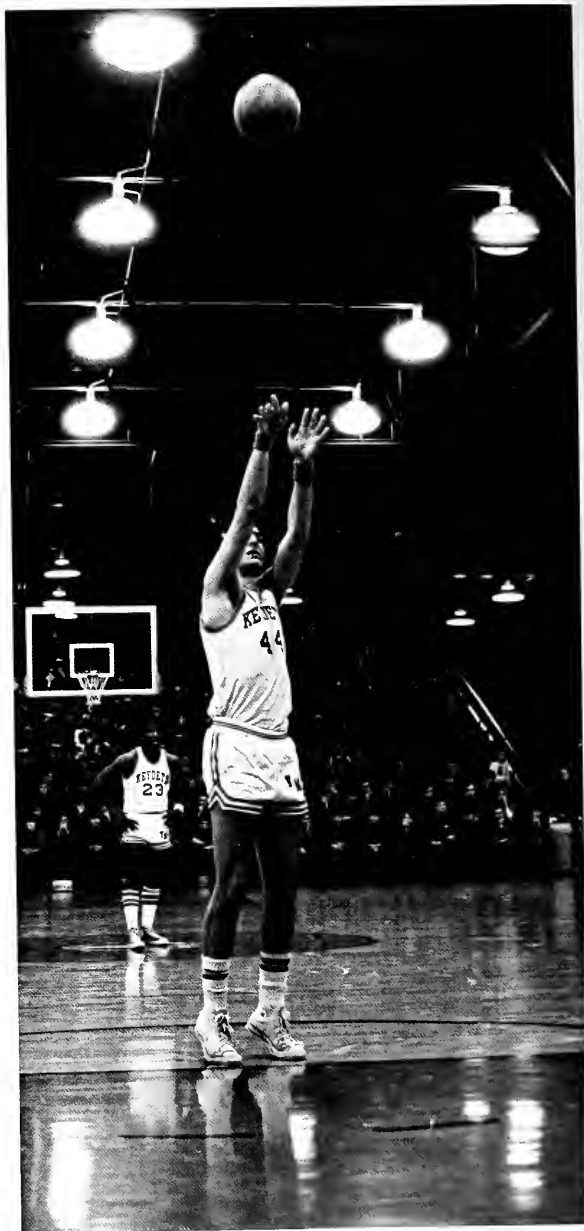
Bill Blair brought a whole new brand of basketball to the "Pit" during the 74-75 season.

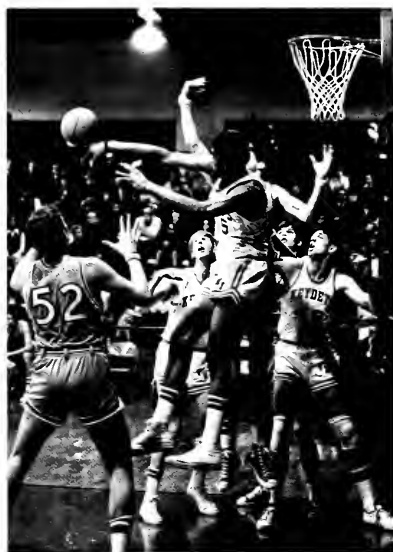
With three rats breaking into a predominately young lineup, the roundballers made numerous errors but were never out of any game. The name of the game was run, run, run and run the Keydets did. Finding himself with a multitude of talent, third year Head Coach Blair was able to substitute liberally, with as many as eight players splitting the duties. Captain Curt Reppart ran the exciting offense until a kick in the neck put him out for the last games. Injuries were infrequent this season but all seemed to come during crucial times. Sophomore center George

Borojevich, one of the three big men on the squad broke his ankle on a fluke play in the last game, a 99-68 drubbing of Virginia Wesleyan. George missed the tournament and left a hole in the lineup. John Krovic led the team in the scoring department as the sophomore guard literally burned the nets all season long. Dave Montgomery, who as a senior in high school played only eight games, was second in the Conference in rebounding behind All-America Clyde Mayes. David played super ball all year long, scoring almost at will, rejecting opponents shots, and setting up the fast break with a rifle arm. Montgomery, along with freshmen Johnny Garnett and Ron Carter turned out to be the best group of recruits VMI has ever had. Two other rats showed potential, Pat Kelly and Draw Stone came on in the last several games.

The real story of the season lies with the younger players doing so well. However, Steve "Whale" Chapin, who for so long had to play out of position at center, finally got his chance to play at the forward spot. Steve brought the leadership and the cool needed with such a young team and his statistics don't tell the whole story of his hustle and outstanding board work in clutch situations. The ovation given him in his final game in the "Pit" showed how the Corps appreciated his play for the last four years.

For the first time since Coach Blair last played at VMI, the Keydets played .500 basketball. The Cadet Corps made the homecourt advantage a reality as the "Pit" rocked every home game. Few if any of the teams who came, ever wanted to come back again. Although the young team made mental errors they were never outthstled. Ron Carter's last second block of a Furman fast break, even with little chance of a VMI victory, exemplified the kind of "Never Say Die" attitude.



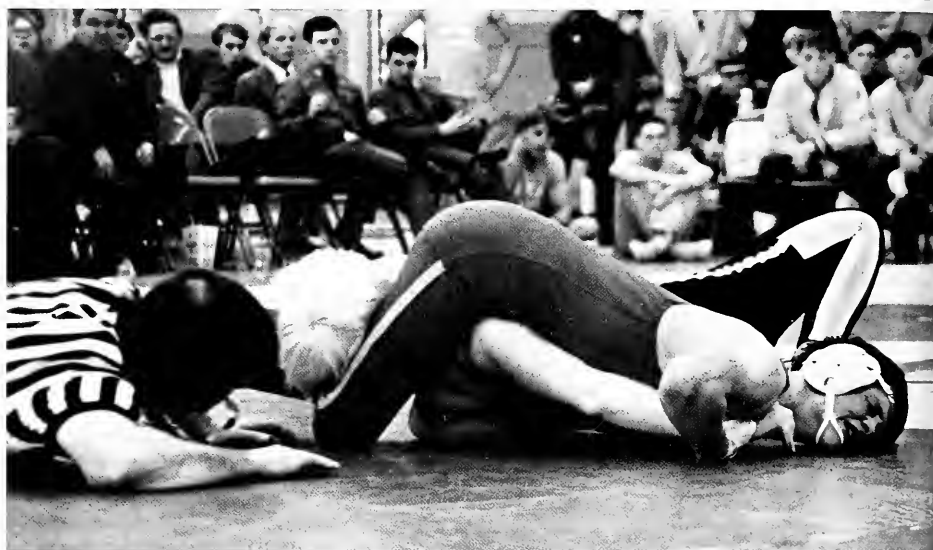


V.M.I.	OPPONENT	
64	Virginia Tech	96
98	Appalachian State	81
68	East Carolina	73
90	Richmond	95
98	Richmond	95
108	The Citadel	101
86	Christopher Newport	66
67	Towson State	65
72	Bethany	43
71	William And Mary	69
80	East Carolina	82
73	Appalachian State	55
96	Shepherd	83
79	George Washington	90
51	Bridgewater	37
82	The Citadel	68
93	Davidson	94
66	William And Mary	67
68	Furman	80
99	Virginia Wesleyan	68



G. Borojevich, W.R. Bynum, R. Carter, S.J. Chapin, J.C. Garnett, T.D. Joseph, P.D. Kelley, J.E. Krovic, D.L. Montgomery, C.R. Reppart, W.D. Slomski, J.A. Stone, T.R. Watjen

Wrestling





One of the most consistent winners at the Institute for the past 10 years has been the Wrestling Team. The 1974-1975 edition of "Gup's Grapplers" proved to be another victorious season. Finishing with a final record of 9-5, the matmen succeeded with a very young group of wrestlers. Al Koehler was the only senior, and Co-Captained this years team along with junior Andy Stewart. Most of the team was composed of sophomores and freshman. The leading rat this year was Ned Stepanovich the heavyweight replacement for Dan Barr. Ned is one of the first real national class freshman wrestlers VMI has ever had. Last summer he defeated one of the Soviet Unions leading heavyweights in the United States versus the U.S.S.R. dual meet. Ned romped through his first season of collegiate wrestling losing only two matches. His victory in the state tournament was VMI's only first. John Vizzi a third classman scored a third in the state meet in the 177 pound class. Bob Sherrard, another sophomore also placed third in the meet for the state title. Sherrard is an outstanding 167 pound wrestler.

With so much youth, and the fact that Andy Stewart was forced to sit out the year with a knee injury, the Keydets look forward to three or four more winning seasons. Ned Stepanovich looks like a contender for national honors and possibly a spot on the 1976 United States Olympic team. Without a scholarship, VMI's grapplers still remain one of the most consistent powers in the state.



S. Aksomitas, G.E. Anderson, J.A. Breen, H.A. Curle, M.E. Dick, D.R. Frederickson, M.A. Engle, M.S. Gotham, S.M. Hall, W.G. Karnes, A.C. Koehler, D.L. Knies, C. Larrimore, K.L. Latsha, B. Longwell, K.P. Luckenbill, W.G. Mullen, J.R. Pengson, M. Pearson, A. Pileggi, M.H. Seely, B. Sherard, R. Rios, R.L. Siegel, P.G. Smith, A.I. Stewart, N. Stepanovich, T.B. Tanner, J.M. Vizzi, Manager D.A. Golden.

Rifle

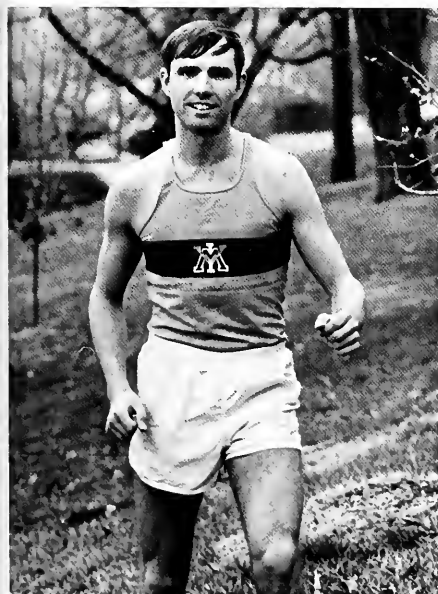


With only one returning Letterman, Captain Devery Miller and only a few men with experience in the high pressured competition of match shooting the 1975 Rifle Team equaled their excellent record of 1974. With superb shooters like upcoming First Classmen Brian Puse and Aries Koumis the continued success of the rifle team can be assured.



E. W. Freese, R. A. Johnson, J. P. Johnson, J. F. Klag, A. G. Koumis, D. E. Kocik, A. C. Marshall, D. S. Miller, B. C. Puse, D. L. Ralph, E. F. W. Schaefer, Manager W. H. Mannherz

Cross Country



The Cross Country Team ended the season with a 4-6 record overall, winning three dual meets against Shepherd, Roanoke and Bridgewater, and defeating Washington and Lee in a tri-meet with Davidson.

In the state meet at Virginia Tech, the Keydets' had their best performance of the season finishing sixth out of the 12 teams entered. Rat Rex Wiggins and First Classman Rich Mines finished in the top 24 runners and are to receive medals for their performance.

Wiggins ran the number one position most of the season being pushed all the way by Captain Rich Mines who had his best season running the number two spot. Third classman Jack Daniels running his first Cross Country season, held the third spot during most of the schedule. Rounding out the top five were freshmen Anthony Moore and George Riefler respectively.

The team worked hard throughout the season, practicing twice a day to get in the mileage needed for the stiff competition. The team loses only five seniors, Captain Rich Mines, Phil Marshall, Boyd Tucker, Bill Kobus, and Bob O'Conner. The outlook for next years season is very bright.

W. I. Brown, D. M. Colonna, P. T. Marshall, J. K. Martin, R. O. Mines, A. U. Moore, R. W. O'Conner, B. F. Peterson, G. S. Fiefler, B. H. Riesbeck, D. A. Robinson, C. B. Tucker, J. J. Tulska, R. A. Wiggins, S. B. Wolchack, J. A. Daniel, W. P. Kobus, D. R. Gray, W. W. Lemaster

Swimming

The VMI Swimming Team is composed of dedicated cadets who voluntarily sacrifice their GP weekends, and GPA'S from October to March to represent the Institute. Despite a 6 win-7 loss record, the year held much success with the team setting many varsity records. Placing 4th in the Southern Conference Meet, having Tom Zuegner, Lang Meem, and Buzzy Northern receive All Southern Conference honors, and finally and overwhelming victory against Va. Tech, the swimmers exceeded pre-season prognostications.

The team will lose four seniors including co-captains Ralph Simmons and John Plunkett. But the prospects for next year look extremely good with twelve lettermen returning to add the needed depth, experience, and strength essential for success.



S. F. Andrews, H. L. Bradshaw, T. A. Brown, J. R. Cafarella, J. D. Cure, N. C. J. Curtis, P. H. Dillon, C. E. Early, P. Friesen, P. H. Gabnel, J. R. Hanrahn, W. L. Hendry, A. W. Hansen, K. W. Jamerson, V. C. Keller, J. A. Lassiter, L. H. Meem, R. M. Northern, J. Ostocka, B. C. Pasco, L. W. Platt, J. R. Plunkett, R. Ramos, W. C. Ridley, R. C. Simmons, C. R. Smart, T. S. Undrhill, D. L. R. Womack, L. R. Wrenn, T. C. M. Zeugner



Lacrosse



The 1974-1975 Lacrosse team showed great improvement over the .500 season of just a year ago. Losing only one starter, this years stickmen were led by senior tri-captains Danny Penny, Dan Dell'Osso, and Charlie "Radar" Collins. Captain Flavin supplied the air behind the whistle during the practices everyday in his second year at the helm of the Keydet Indians.

In a bid for becoming the newest varsity sport the team travelled to Atlanta for the Georgia Tech Invitational Tournament. This followed an invitation by the Southeastern Lacrosse Conference to join such teams as Washington and Lee for national honors. Seniors Dean "Pit" Armstrong, Bill Putman, Felix Wolkowitz and Charlie Kaune are supported by Rocky Glass and Dickie Moore. Goose Robins, Boog Powell, Jeff Reilly, Ray Beasley, Jack Daniels, Woody Woodward freshman Wadsworth Bugg are just a few of the other outstanding players who led the VMI Lacrosse team to their best record in their short history of this fast moving sport.



Tri-Captains: Danny Dell'Osso, Danny Penny, Chuck Collina, Treasure: Felix Wolkowitz, Players: Dean Armstrong, Ray Beasley, W. Bugg, Jack Daniels, Dyke Davies, Keith Dickson, Rocky Glass, Charlie Kaune, Jack Lamond, T. P. McCourt, Terry McKnight, J. Masad, N. Mercy, Dickie Moore, Billy Powell, Bill Putman, Tom Reeder, Goose Robbins, Joe Sciosea, Mark Sculley, Elmo Shiflett, Andy Tarr, Spike Tataro, Ben Vanderberry, B. Vorgang, R. Nilson, John Woodward, Charlie Sprott, Jeff Tiley, Larry Foltz, R.R. Wetherill.

Golf



The Golf Team is another group whose improvement was marked during the 1975 season. Led by Bill Fowlkes, Reggie Webb, and Rick Law, coach Swink was able to field a team that was strong from tee to green.



Reggie Webb, Rick Law, Randy Esser, Steve Murray, Dexter Gilliam, Joe Brown, Elliot Shull, Bill Fowlkes.

Tennis



The VMI Tennis Team led by Sophomores Craig Forbes and Will Bynum greatly improved on their record of last season. What this years team lacked in experience they made up in hustle and the future looks good for the tennis team in the seasons to come.

J.C. Brock, B.R. Caudle, R.E. Darden, F.S. Deacon, T.H. English, C.T. Forbes, R.T. Green, J.N. Hutt, B.C. Wells, W.R. Bynum

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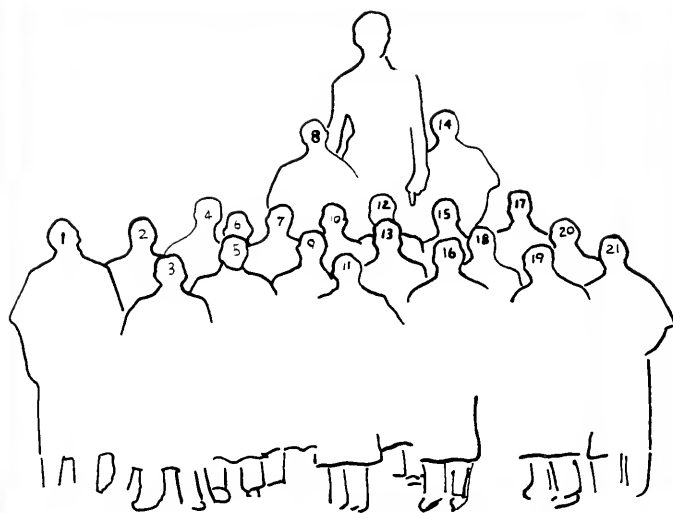
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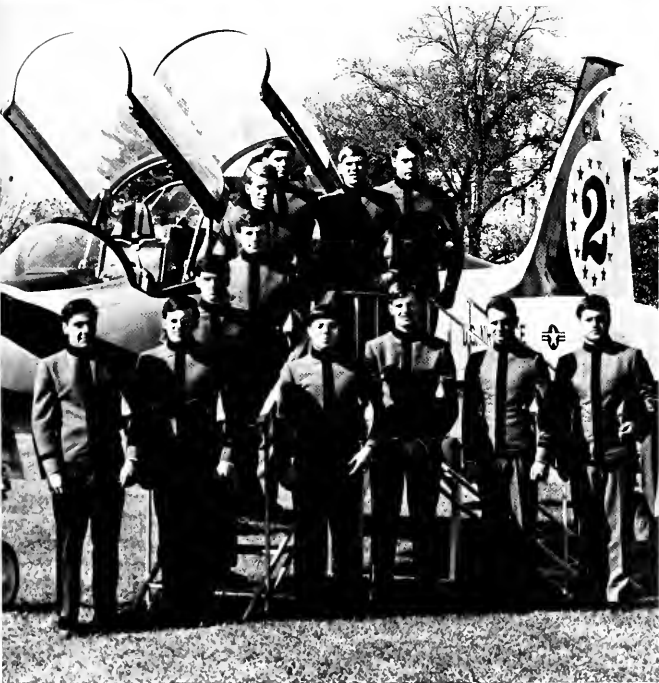
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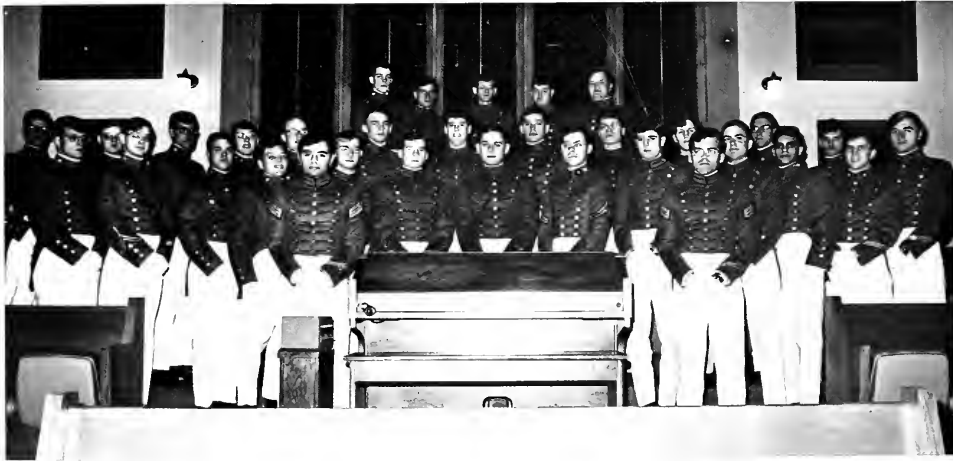


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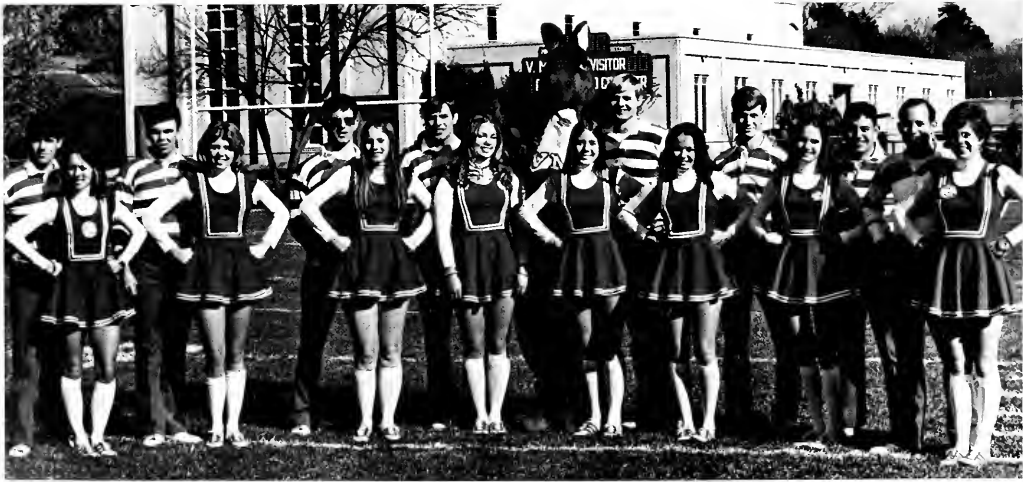
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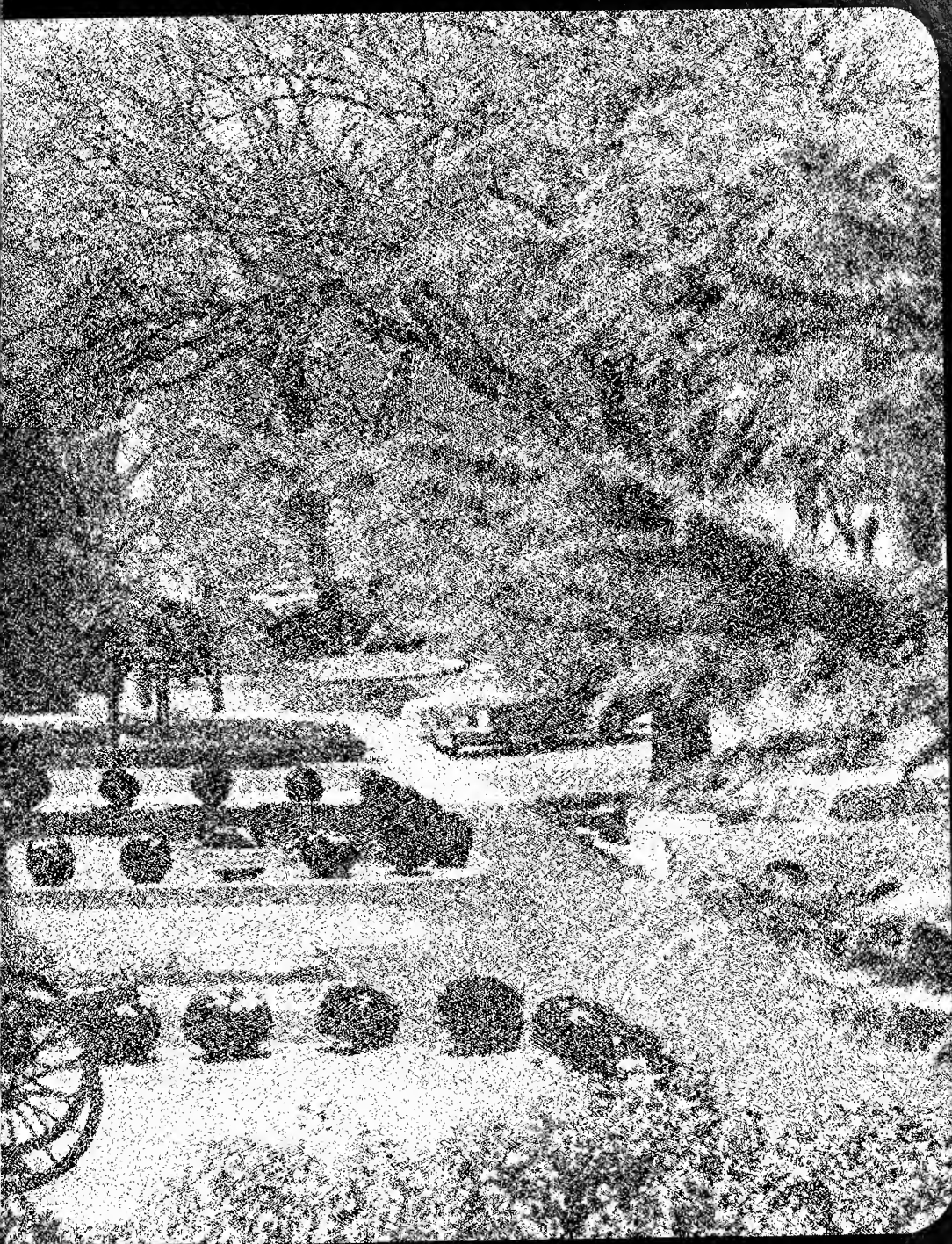
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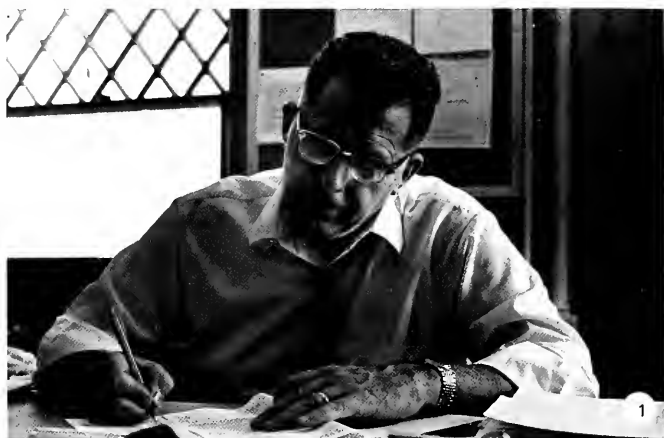


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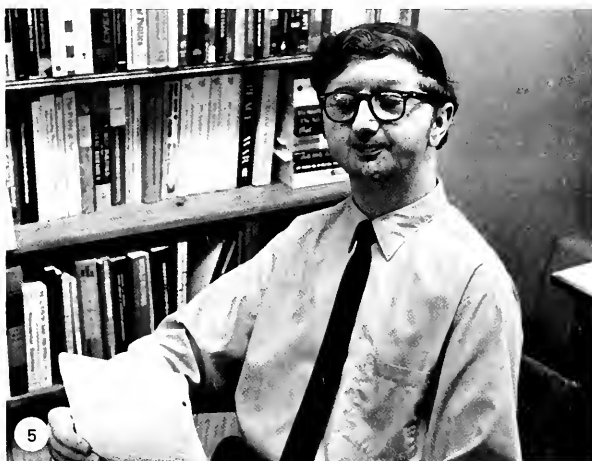
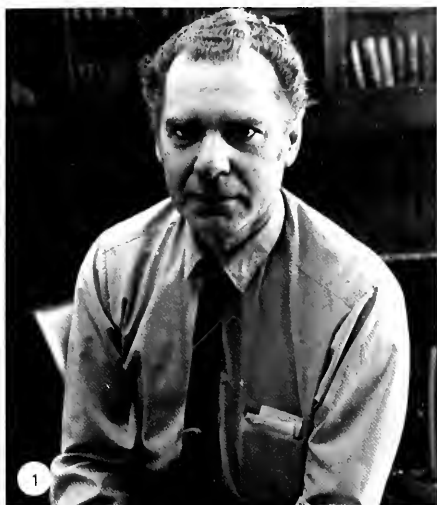
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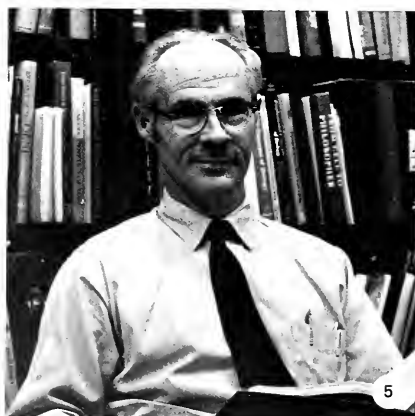
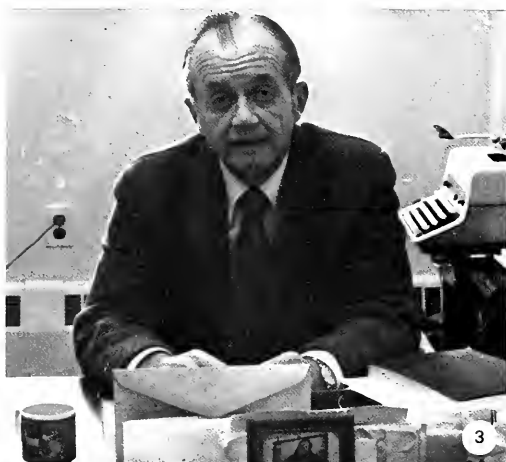
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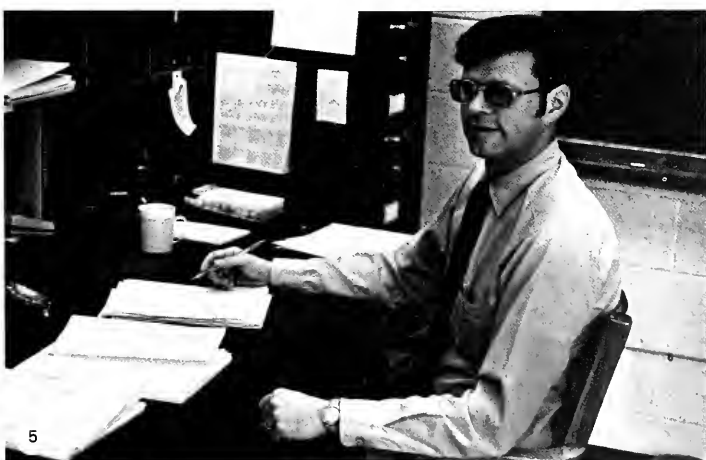




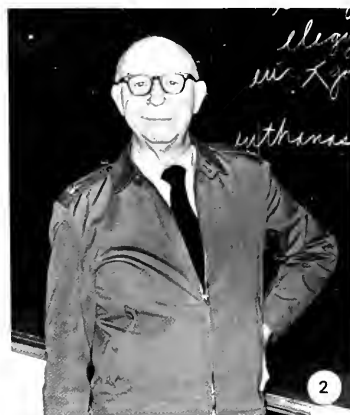
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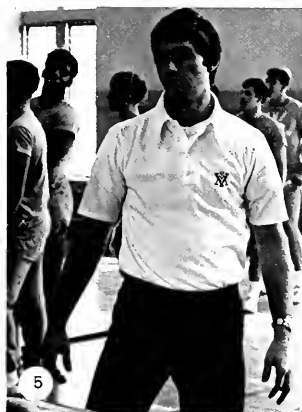
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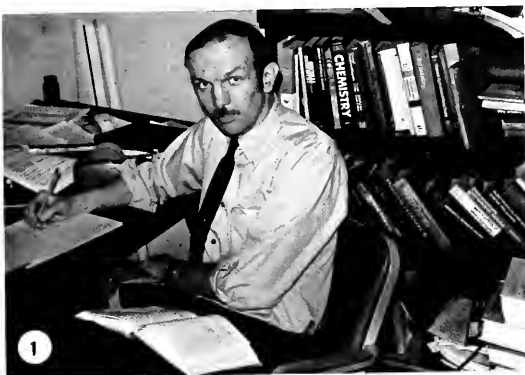




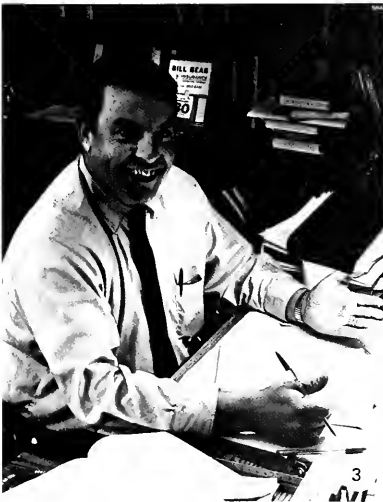
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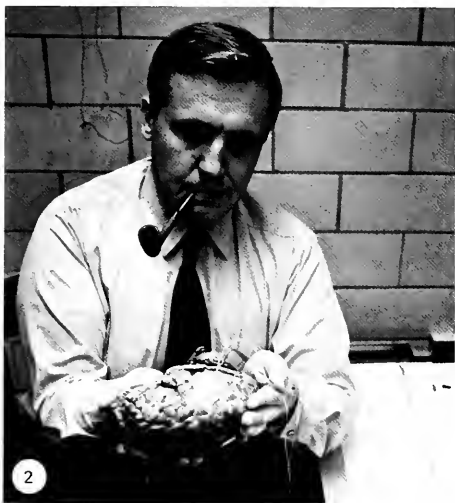
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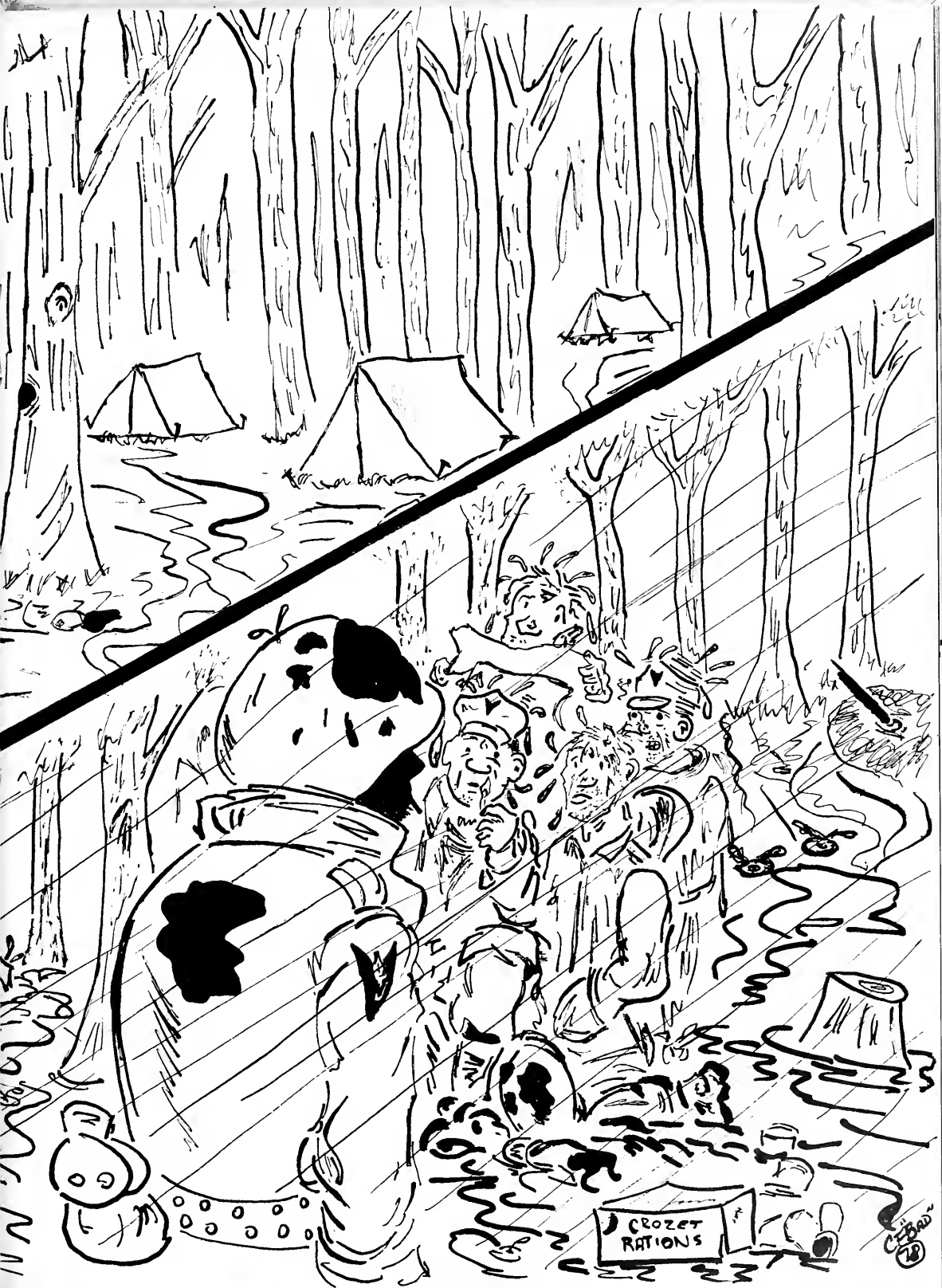


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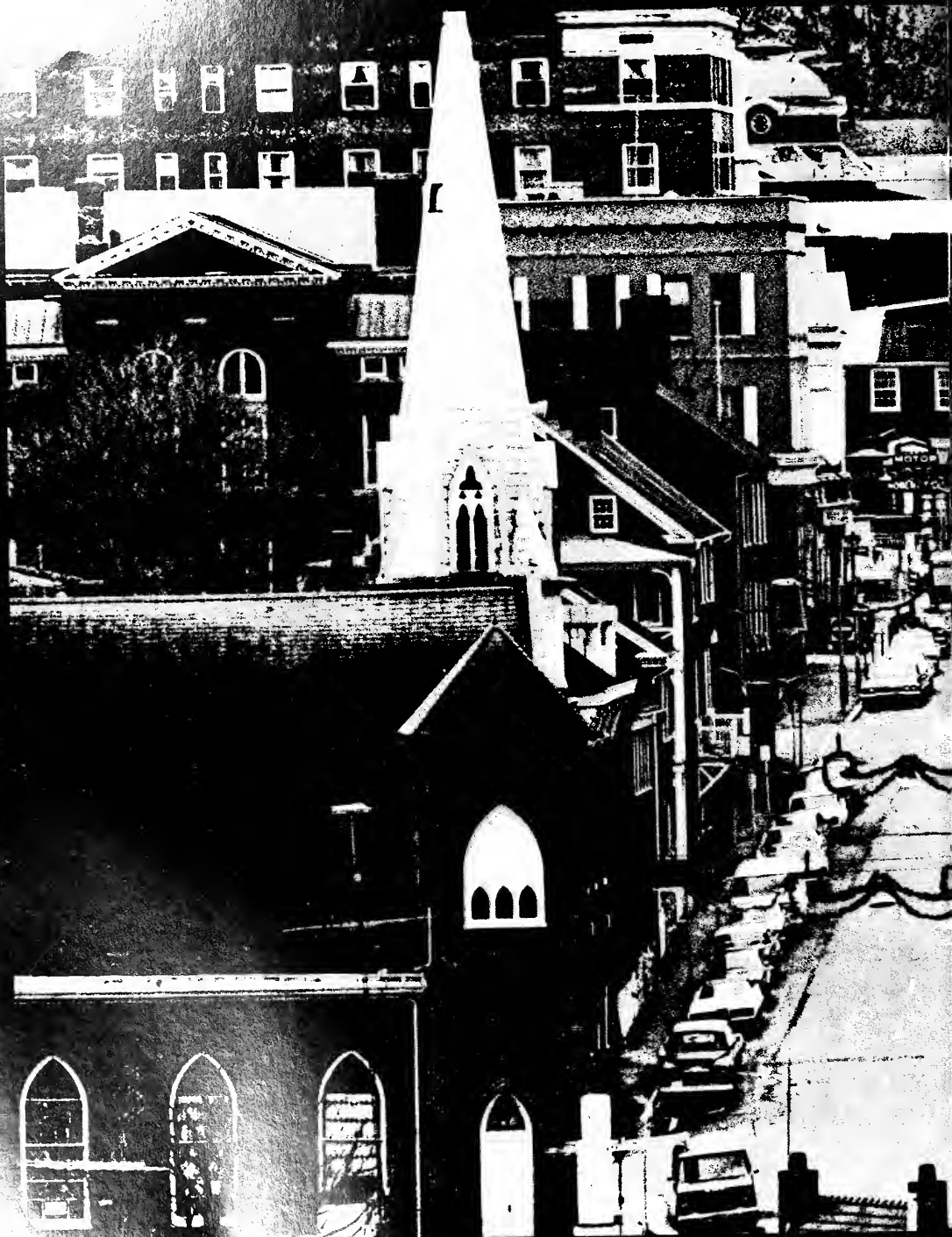




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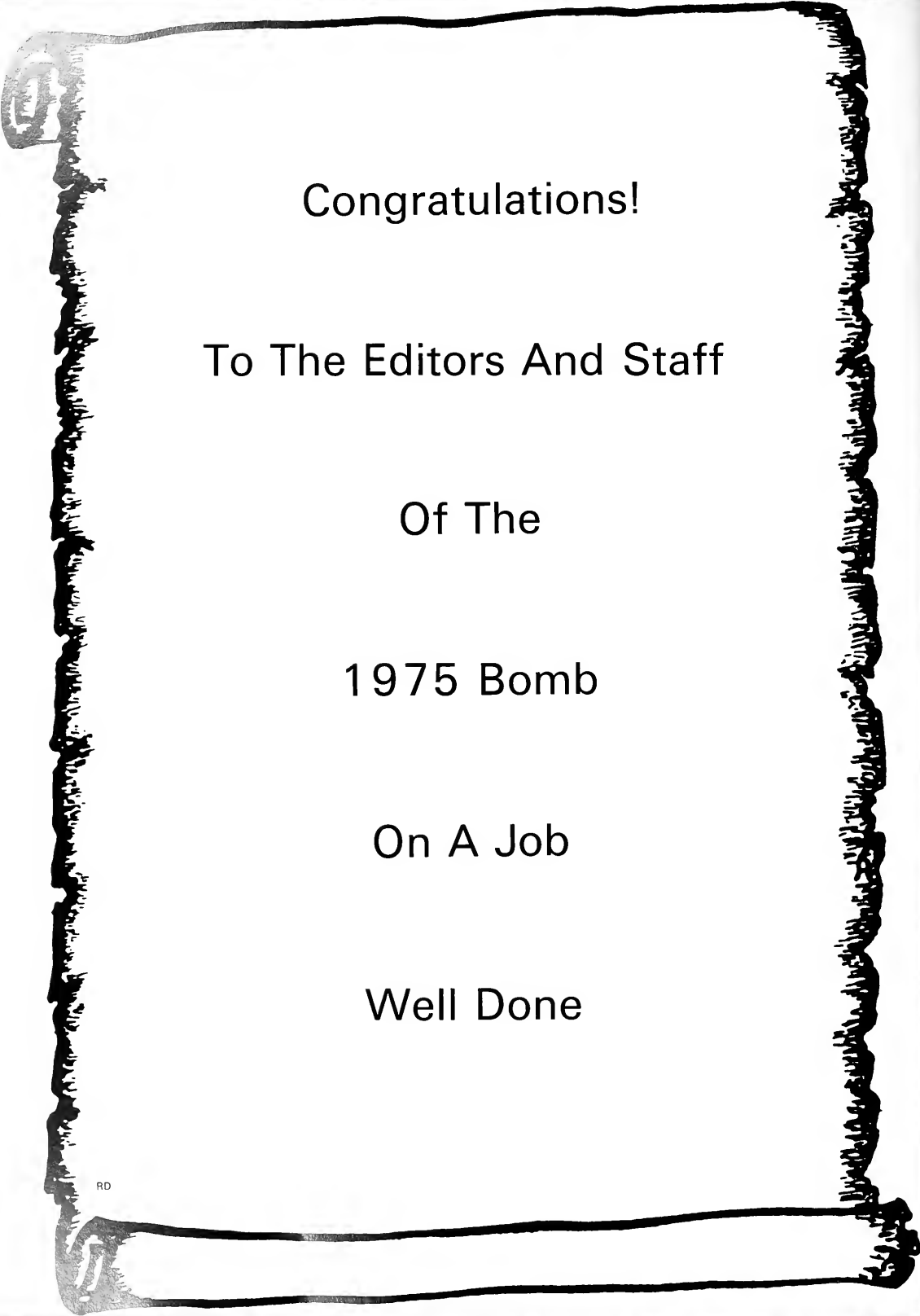
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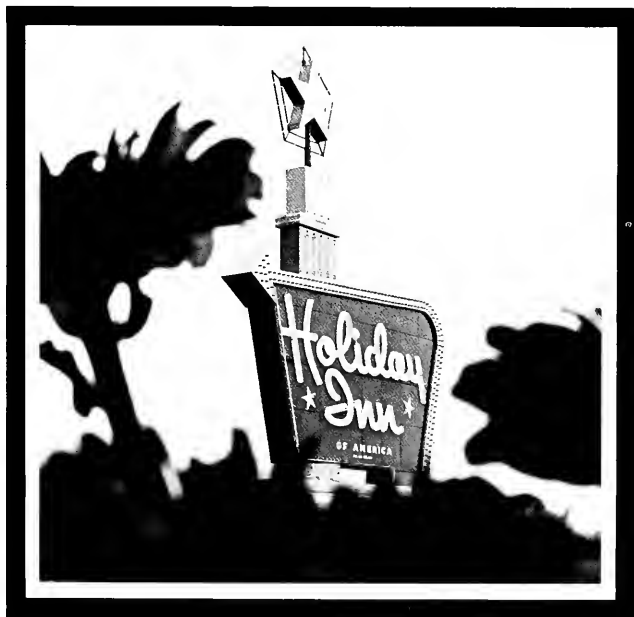
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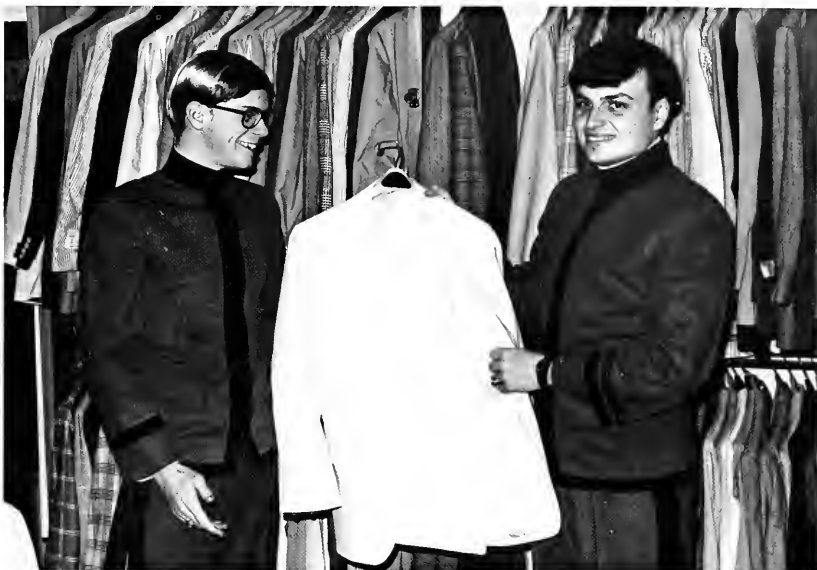
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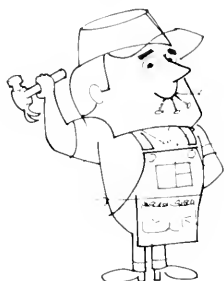
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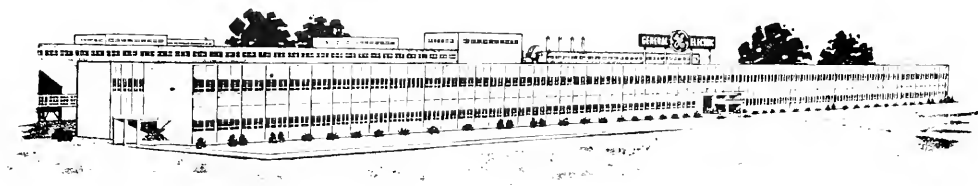
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Producing the 1975 BOMB has been an experience for me and the staff. From the joy and laughter to the depression and quarreling, the BOMB has provided the staff with many hours of intense emotions. Many nights of sleep have been lost, not to mention the assignments turned in late and the tests failed. As demerits and confinement piled up, grades and moral plummeted; but still the staff managed to complete the book. We have often wondered if all those hours were worth all the effort.

All things considered, I feel that this BOMB was worth the effort. The staff has produced something that both they and the Corps can be proud of. We have tried to portray in both a pictorial and literary way what has made this year at V.M.I. While I feel sure that there are certain factions who feel that we may have glossed over their contributions, I can only assure those people that we tried our best to include as much as possible. I only wish that the BOMB were twice as long so we could have included everyone and everything that helps make the Institute the unique place that it is. I am extremely proud to have been a part of the 1975 BOMB, and from the bottom of my heart I thank all those who had a part in creating it. I owe more to Bill Landrum than I can possibly repay. His creativity, his support, his constructive criticism, his devotion to the job he accepted, and his friendship helped make this yearbook a reality. Tony Fiero has made this BOMB financially possible by his persistent attempts at fund raising. Mike Monahan and John Logan provided the staff with plenty of ideas and most of the copy. They were always ready to help, whether at the bridge table or in the layout room. Most of all they were good for a lot of laughs and fun, without which, I think we would have lost our sanity. Mel Lassiter is credited with most of the pictures. Without his constant work and excellent quality control there would be no BOMB. To the many other people who put in so much time and so much effort, I am deeply indebted. To Grigg Mullen, this years Activities Editor and next year's Editor-in-Chief, I wish the best of luck.

The Staff has devoted most of the last nine months to this book, and it means a great deal to them. I only hope that this book is everything we meant it to be to the CORPS of CADETS.

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